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The Communications Act says nothing about keeping workers on the job once its seizure provisions are invoked. This is because the act was designed primarily to give the President power to take over wire facilities for war purposes, rather than to deal with a labor dispute.

However, some federal attorneys share an opinion expressed by Rep. Howard W. Smith (D-Va.), co-author of the Smith-Connally Act, that the penalties of that law could be invoked.

That act originally gave the President seizure powers, but they expired at the beginning of this year. Smith says, though, that the Smith-Connally Act penalty of a maximum \$5,000 fine and a year in jail for striking or interfering with the operations of plants under federal control still stands. And he adds that it would apply even where plants were seized under a different law.

U. S. Would Rely On Court Ruling

Some of the government attorneys say, however, that the Smith-Connally Act penalties, designed to apply to those striking in groups against a government-operated facility, can be used only on Smith-Connally Act seizures.

For this reason, they believe that the government—in case of telephone industry seizure under the Communications Act—would proceed against a continuing strike by court injunctions.

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USSR Views On Greek, Turkish Aid Expected

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., April 6. (AP)—The United Nations looked to dour Andrei A. Gromyko this week for the Kremlin's views on the top international issue of the day — President Truman's \$400,000,000 program to aid Greece and Turkey.

The Security Council was called into session tomorrow (3 p. m. EST) for discussion of the unilateral plan. An unprecedented demand for spectator tickets piled up an overflow list of more than 5,000.

The Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister has maintained his usual secrecy about announcing a speech, but the listening public apparently banked on his previous statement that he would "touch upon" the Greek issue at the Easter Monday meeting. Requests for seats generally were accompanied by the statement that the applicant wanted to hear "Gromyko's answer."

Consequently, it promised to be "Russian week" here.

Gromyko also was expected to lay down Soviet policy on a world-wide arms slashing proposal, originally advanced by Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov and in effect labeled premature by the United States and Britain.

The 11-nation Commission on Conventional Armaments, which has heard from all the major powers except Russia, was convened for tomorrow (10:30 a. m. EST). Speculation generally was that Gromyko would pitch in both games.

The third big session of the week likewise found Russia in a key position. A Wednesday meeting of the council was scheduled for a decision on the long-hanging British charges that Albania mined the Corfu Channel. Two Royal Navy warships struck mines with a loss of 44 lives last October 22.

New Bombers Will Add To AAF Striking Power

WASHINGTON, April 6. (AP)—Gen. George C. Kenney disclosed today that the striking power of his globe-ranging bomber fleet will be intensified in a few months with first deliveries of two new-type superbombers.

The chief of the Strategic Air Command said he expects B-50 bombers to begin reaching the SAC's two very heavy bomber forces "shortly."

When test flights of the huge B-36 are completed to the satisfaction of the AAF, production lines will begin supplying the strategic command with these airplanes.

The Boeing B-50, while technically a modification of the wartime B-29 Superfortress, has so many new or improved features that it is virtually a new design in range, speed and general performance.

Blast Kills Two Miners

GLAIS, Wales, April 6. (AP)—Two coal miners were killed and six were injured when an explosion wrecked the tunnel in which they were working.

Final Attempt At Settlement Is Being Made

Walkout Scheduled To Begin At 6 A. M.

WASHINGTON, April 7. (Monday) (AP)—The government thrust a federally-sponsored compromise proposal before telephone unions and management and held them in non-stop session today in a last ditch effort to head off the nationwide telephone strike set for 6 a. m.

Negotiations centered in Washington but similar continuous sessions were ordered in a score of cities over the nation where bargaining sessions of the Bell Telephone System has been going on for weeks.

In the Capital, midnight passed with Edgar L. Warren, conciliation director, and Joseph A. Beirne, president of the National Federation of Telephone Workers, closeted in Warren's office.

Warren had summoned the union leader shortly after announcing that the government compromise was being urged and that conciliators had been directed to keep the parties "in continuous session until formulas for settling the dispute are worked out."

No details were given on the new proposal. The conciliation director merely sent out word to reporters that the government "is discussing the possibility of a settlement with the parties in a final attempt to work out a peaceful settlement."

NFTW Ready Strike Plans

A Labor Department spokesman at the same time told newsmen that the department "has not abandoned hope for anything." His "anything" covered both a general settlement and acceptance of a compromise proposal for arbitration. The latter plan had been reported receiving most government attention early Sunday evening.

There was no explanation of what significance the fact might have, but as Beirne and his two top aides in the strike negotiations arrived at Warren's office, they told newsmen that at that time they had not received any compromise proposal from either the government or the Bell Telephone System.

The National Federation of Telephone Workers, meantime went ahead with plans to stage the first nationwide phone walkout at 6 a. m. local time, today, in support of a \$12 weekly wage increase and other contract demands.

Haggard government labor trouble shooters sought to bring officials of the Bell System and the Independent Labor Union into some kind of agreement on arbitration of their differences prior to Warren's announcement.

The conciliation chief threw no light on whether he and Assistant Secretary of Labor John W. Gibson had abandoned their efforts to reach a compromise on arbitration or were striving for a different type of solution.

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Indication Of Possible Break

Washington negotiations produced one indication of a possible break when the southwestern Bell Telephone Company offered to arbitrate wages without requiring that arbitration be based on comparable pay for comparable jobs within each community.

The union had attacked that proviso, which had been included in all arbitration offers from Bell System companies.

Reports that other Bell companies were making a similar concession came from several parts of the country at the same time.

"All our efforts have failed," Beirne declared in a Washington area broadcast. "Strike action is being taken only as a last resort."

The NFTW leader spoke after all-day conferences with Labor Department officials seeking an eleven-hour agreement to avoid the strike by submitting the issues to arbitration.

Earlier in the day Beirne announced that the union is willing to "consider" arbitration on an industry-wide basis with all issues at stake.

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company has held out for arbitration only on wages, and that only on a local basis between unions and its subsidiaries in the Bell System.

Sen. Vandenberg Urges U. N. Policy Permitting "No" Vote Without Veto

WASHINGTON, April 6. (AP)—Sen. Vandenberg (R-Mich.) urged today that the United Nations establish a policy by which a "Big Five" nation could vote "no" in the Security Council without automatically exercising a veto.

Vandenberg told a reporter that, in effect, is the position the United States would take on extending its proposed aid to Greece and Turkey if Congress adopts his amendment to the pending \$400,000,000 bill. It would not, however, apply to any other question in the Security Council.

The Senator's amendment provides that the United Nations can halt the American action any time

the international organization is prepared to take over the assistance program, if two-thirds of the General Assembly or seven of the 11 Security Council members favor such action.

In the latter case, the United States specifically would waive any veto—not only its own but any that might be cast in its favor by another country—and accept the verdict as long as seven members voted for it.

Vandenberg noted that under the United Nations Charter, when any of the Big Five—the United States, Russia, Great Britain, France and China—votes no that action officially is regarded as a veto.

Weather Report

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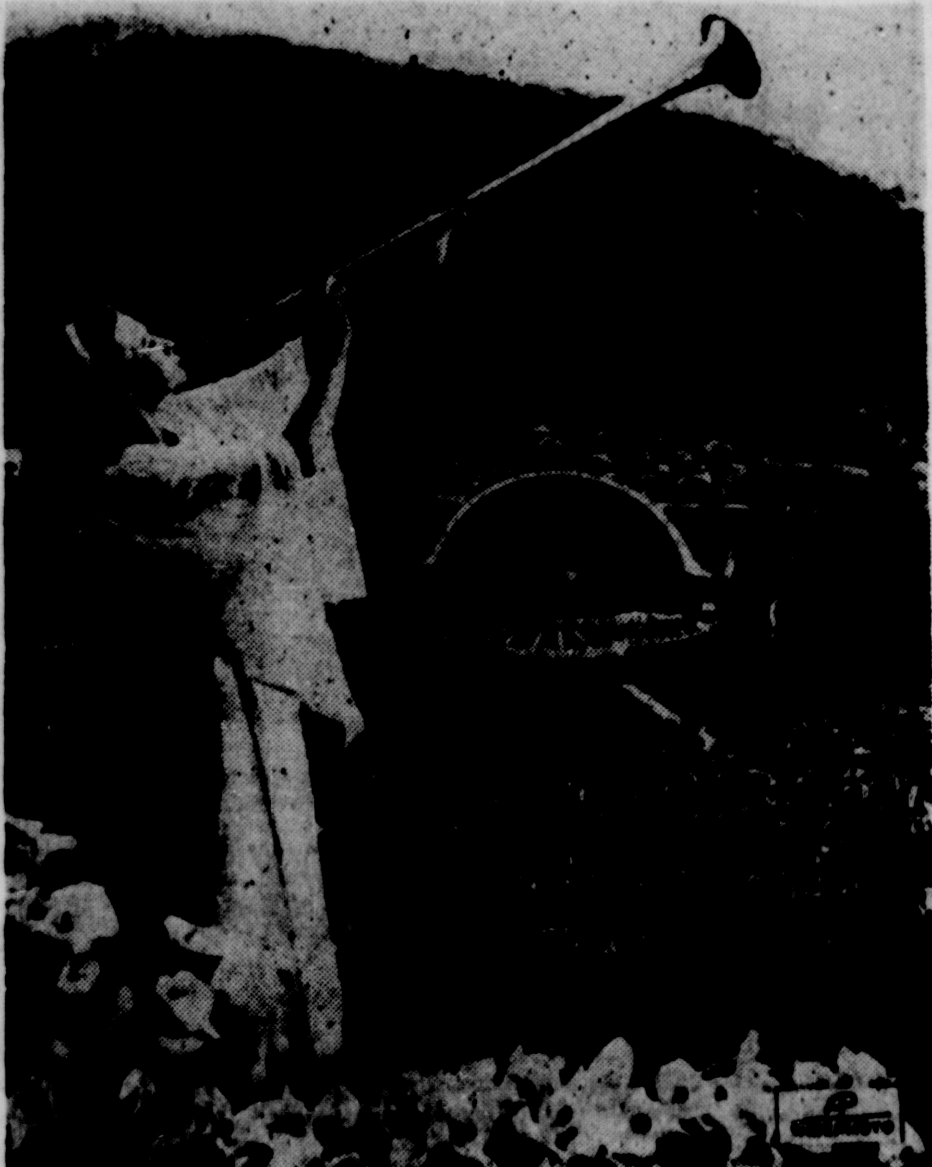
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The Communications Act says nothing about keeping workers on the job once its seizure provisions are invoked. This is because the act was designed primarily to give the President power to take over wire facilities for war purposes, rather than to deal with a labor dispute.

However, some federal attorneys share an opinion expressed by Rep. Howard W. Smith (D-Va.), co-author of the Smith-Connally Act, that the penalties of that law could be invoked.

That act originally gave the President seizure powers, but they expired at the beginning of this year. Smith says, though, that the Smith-Connally Act penalty of a maximum \$5,000 fine and a year in jail for striking or interfering with the operations of plants under federal control still stands. And he holds that it would apply even where plants were seized under a different law.

U. S. Would Rely On Court Ruling
Some of the government attorneys say, however, that the Smith-Connally Act penalties, designed to apply to those striking in groups against a government-operated facility, can be used only on Smith-Connally Act seizures.

For this reason, they believe that the government—in case of telephone industry seizure under the Communications Act—would proceed against a continuing strike by court injunctions.

The government would rely on the Supreme Court decision in the Lewis case. The court ruled there that the Norris-La Guardia Act bans against injunctions in labor disputes do not apply where the dispute is a government-operated facility, and the government seeks the injunction. It held that since the coal mines are under seizure, the miners are federal employees.

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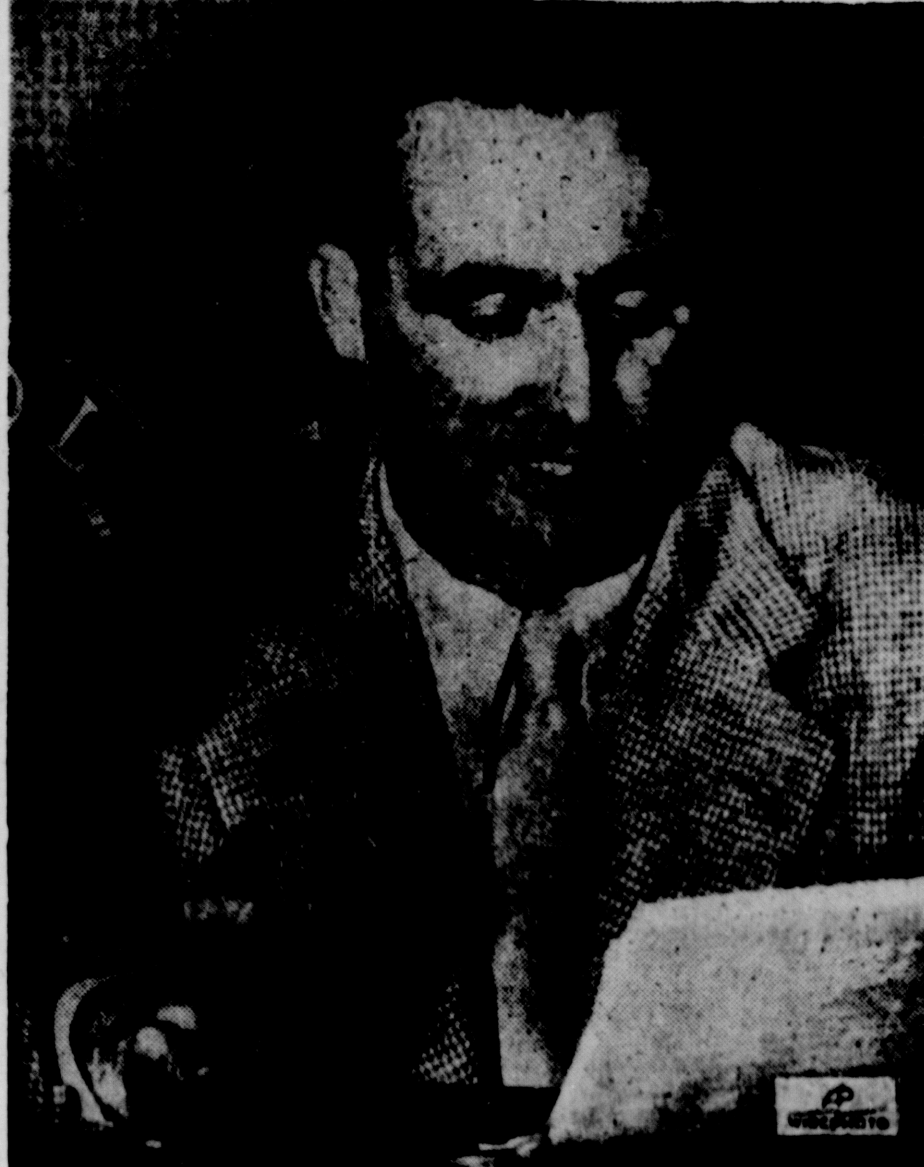
WASHINGTON, April 6. (AP)—Gen. George C. Kenney disclosed today that the striking power of his globe-ranging bomber fleet will be intensified in a few months with first deliveries of two new-type super-bombers.

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"Russian Week" At Lake Success Appears Likely

USSR Views On Greek, Turkish Aid Expected

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., April 6. (AP)—The United Nations looked to dour Andrei A. Gromyko this week for the Kremlin's views on the top international issue of the day — President Truman's \$400,000,000 program to aid Greece and Turkey.

The Security Council was called into session tomorrow (3 p. m. EST) for discussion of the unilateral plan. An unprecedented demand for spectator tickets piled up an overflow list of more than 5,000.

The Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister has maintained his usual secrecy about announcing a speech, but the listening public apparently banked on his previous statement that he would "touch upon" the Greek issue at the Easter Monday meeting.

Requests for seats generally were accompanied by the statement that the applicant wanted to hear "Gromyko's answer."

Generally it is promised to be "Russian week" here.

Gromyko also was expected to lay down Soviet policy on a world-wide arms slashing proposal, originally advanced by Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov and in effect labeled premature by the United States and Britain.

The 11-nation Commission on Conventional Armaments, which has heard from all the major powers except Russia, was convened for tomorrow (10:30 a. m. EST). Speculation generally was that Gromyko would "pitch in both games."

The third big session of the week likewise found Russia in a key position. A Wednesday meeting of the council was scheduled for a decision on the long-hanging British charges that Albania mined the Corfu Channel. Two Royal Navy warships struck mines with a loss of 44 lives last October 22.

The President stressed these points:
1. Resistance to aggression in all forms. The United States to "supplement" the United Nations when necessary.

2. Opposition to immediate tax cuts sponsored by the Republicans until substantial payment has been made on the public debt.

3. A fight against lowering the \$37,500,000,000 budget he submitted in January.

4. Lower prices lest citizens "going whole hog for profits" stir up an inflationary spiral.

Sen. Vandenberg Urges U. N. Policy Permitting "No" Vote Without Veto

WASHINGTON, April 6. (AP)—Sen. Vandenberg (R-Mich.) urged today that the United Nations establish a policy by which a "Big Five" nation could vote "no" in the Security Council without automatically exercising a veto.

Vandenberg told a reporter that in effect, is the position the United States would take on extending its proposed aid to Greece and Turkey if Congress adopts his amendment to the pending \$400,000,000 bill. It would not, however, apply to any other question in the Security Council.

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Final Attempt At Settlement Is Being Made

Walkout Scheduled To Begin At 6 A. M.

WASHINGTON, April 7. (Monday) (AP)—The government thrust a federally-sponsored compromise proposal before telephone unions and management and held them in non-stop session today in a last ditch effort to head off the nationwide telephone strike set for 6 a. m.

Negotiations centered in Washington but similar continuous sessions were ordered in a score of cities over the nation where bargaining with units of the Bell Telephone System has been going on for weeks.

In the Capital, midnight passed with Edgar L. Warren, conciliation director, and Joseph A. Beirne, president of the National Federation of Telephone Workers, closeted in Warren's office.

Warren had summoned the union leader shortly after announcing that the government compromise was being urged and that conciliators had been directed to keep the parties "in continuous session until formulas for settling the dispute are worked out."

No details were given on the new proposal. The conciliation director merely sent out word to reporters that the government "is discussing a compromise proposal with the parties in a final attempt to work out a peaceful settlement."

NFTW Readies Strike Plans

A Labor Department spokesman at the same time told newsmen that the department "has not abandoned hope for anything." His "anything" covered both a general settlement and acceptance of a compromise proposal for arbitration. The latter plan had been reported receiving most government attention early Sunday evening.

There was no explanation of what significance the fact might have, but as Beirne and his two top aides in the strike negotiations arrived at Warren's office, they told newsmen that at that time they had not received any compromise proposal from either the government or the Bell Telephone System.

The National Federation of Telephone Workers, meantime, went ahead with plans to stage the first nationwide phone walkout at 6 a. m. local time, today, in support of a \$12 weekly wage increase and other contract demands.

Haggard government labor trouble shooters sought to bring officials of the Bell System and the Independent NFTW into some kind of agreement on arbitration of their differences prior to Warren's announcement.

The conciliation chief threw no light on whether he and Assistant Secretary of Labor John W. Gibson had abandoned their efforts to reach a compromise on arbitration or were striving for a different type of solution.

Earlier in the evening Beirne had declared that "tomorrow morning we strike."

Indication Of Possible Break

Washington negotiations produced one indication of a possible break when the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company offered to arbitrate wages without requiring that the arbitration be based on comparable pay for comparable jobs within each community.

The union had attached that proviso, which had been included in all arbitration offers from Bell System companies.

Reports that other Bell companies were making a similar concession came from several parts of the country at the same time.

All our efforts have failed," Beirne declared in a Washington area broadcast. "Strike action is being taken only as a last resort."

The NFTW leader spoke after all-day conferences with Labor Department officials seeking an eleventh-hour agreement to avoid the strike by submitting the issues to arbitration.

Earlier in the day Beirne announced that the union is willing to "consider" arbitration on an industry-wide basis with all issues at stake.

The American Telephone and Telegraph Company has held out for arbitration only on wages, and that only on a local basis between unions and its subsidiaries in the Bell System.

the international organization is prepared to take over the assistance program. If two-thirds of the General Assembly or seven of the 11 Security Council members favor such action.

In the latter case, the United States specifically would waive any of the Big Five—the United States, Russia, Great Britain, France, and China—votes no that action officially is regarded as a veto.

6-Year-Old Boy Is Badly Hurt By Falling Props

Carl E. Hoff Is In Hospital Here

A 6-year-old Vanderlip, W. Va., boy was admitted to Memorial Hospital early last night for treatment of serious injuries suffered when a number of mine props fell upon him at his home near Romney.

The lad, Carl E. Hoff, son of Carl Hoff, was reported in a "fairly good" condition although suffering from fractures of both legs below the knees, a possible fracture of the pelvis and a possible fracture of the arm.

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Miss Marie Davis, 39, 416 River Avenue, was treated in Memorial yesterday afternoon for a fractured left arm suffered, she said, when she fell on the porch of her home.

Mrs. Frank Ruppert, 73, Route 3, was treated in Allegheny Hospital last night for a laceration on the third finger of the right hand. She said her hand was torn by chicken wire.

Fractures Collarbone

Jack Burkett, 15, son of Adam Burkett, Allegheny Grove, an Allegheny Ballistics Laboratory worker, was treated in Allegheny Hospital early last night for a fractured left collarbone. He told attendants he fell off a bicycle and struck his shoulder on the pavement. He was able to leave after a cast was applied.

Robert Smith, 27, 1120 Shade's Lane, who works at McGee's Service Station, was treated in Allegheny Hospital last night for second degree burns of the right arm. He said he was burned when some kerosene exploded.

William Johnson, 43, Route 2, was treated in the same hospital last night for a cut on the left cheek.

Police said last night they were still investigating the circumstances surrounding the injury of William True, Thomas Street, who was taken to Memorial Hospital late Saturday night for treatment of cuts about the face.

Police said the man was found on Arch and Second Streets.

Charles Heier, 65, 423 Columbia Street, was treated Saturday night in Allegheny Hospital for a lacerated right index finger suffered when bitten by a dog.

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TAKE EASTER STROLL—The News photographer took the above picture yesterday afternoon as the young ladies were taking an Easter stroll. They are (left to right) Miss Madeline McGinn, 47 Central Avenue, Ridgeley; Miss Wanda Lee Newman, 209 Davidson Street, and Miss Virginia Lee Brant, 346 Bedford Street.

Cancer Campaign Is Started In County

Hugh D. Shires, chairman of the Allegheny county drive to raise funds for the American Cancer Society, announced over the weekend that 25 cans were placed in Cumberland by Boy Scouts Saturday, in which donations can be placed.

Shires also said that leaders are being named in the various county towns and will be announced soon. This week letters will be sent to various clubs, fraternal groups and individuals, asking for contributions.

Plans are also being made to distribute literature in the schools so that the story of the fight against cancer can be taken to the homes by the various students. Memberships in the American Cancer Society will be sold as soon as the necessary books arrive.

Farmers Urged To Join 1947 Program

Farmers in this county are being urged to enroll in the 1947 program of good farming, according to Albert O'Neal, chairman of the Allegheny County Agricultural Conservation Committee.

"Farmers who have not enrolled in the program should stop at the county office, 37 Washington Street, as soon as possible," O'Neal explained. "To keep 1947 orders for lime have been placed," he said, "and we estimate that there are about 300 more to be filled."

Practices being offered Allegheny county farmers include, ground limestone, super phosphate, potash, permanent pasture, drainage ditching, contour strip-cropping, terraces and forest tree planting.

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Uncertainty

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whether we work or not will be another thing," they said.

Safety committees will not certify any mines safe, it was indicated, until they are inspected by mine inspectors. This puts the miners who work in the position of doing so at their own risk, one union spokesman declared.

Normal Supply On Hand

Later last night, it could not be stated definitely how many men in this coal region would actually produce coal today, but it was indicated that operators will open their mines to those who want to work.

Robert L. Stallings, secretary of the Coal Operators Association said that a shut-down of mines at this time would not seriously handicap other domestic industry. Foreign industries, looking to America, for more and more coal to get their production back to normal will be hampered, he explained.

Stallings expressed the opinion that there is enough coal above ground to keep most industries in this area going for 60 days or more, if all mines stop production. He estimated that major local industries have supplies on hand to carry them from six weeks to three months.

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Fires On Two

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to contend with if there had been an air-raid during the war."

Other grass and brush fires were reported at Fairgo, Braddock Road, and the city dump. Cresaptown and LaVale Companies conquered the flames on Braddock Road without difficulty. Cresaptown and Corriganville fought the fire at Fairgo and District 16 Volunteer Company quenched a blaze at the city dump.

In all, 17 companies of volunteers were called into Cumberland by the Sheriff's office, State Police and city and county officials yesterday. They included Frostburg, Ellerslie, Corriganville, Clarysville, Bowman's Addition, Cresaptown, Mt. Savage, Bedford Road, Baltimore Pike, Midland, District No. 16, Oldtown section, Ridgeley, W. Va., Wiley Ford, W. Va., Centerville, Pa., and Cumberland Hose Company No. 1, Baltimore Pike and Flintstone.

The call to Flintstone was cancelled when it was learned that this unit had just returned from fighting a stubborn woods fire on Town Hill, which came within 20 feet of a dwelling, which was undamaged. Flintstone was then alerted to stand by for the Baltimore Pike area, and that company came into the city.

No One Seriously Hurt

The Cumberland Fire Department's Easter parade began about 11:30 a. m. when East Side fire fighters were summoned to Shriver's Hill to put out a grass fire.

All was quiet until West Side Fire Company was called to McDonald Terrace when a grass fire broke out.

A few minutes after 1 p. m. East Side Fire Company was called to Shriver's Hill and stayed on that fire until 10:12 p. m. when the blaze was brought under control.

The blaze, firemen said, had burned over an area from Independence to Bedford Street by about 3 p. m. and was then beginning to burn toward Bedford Road. The immediate danger from the blaze ended at 10 p. m. when firemen dragged a line from Bedford Road at Miller Avenue and cut off the fire at that point.

In the meanwhile, South Cumberland Fire Company was called to the old N. and G. Taylor Tin Mill property at 2:08 p. m. when old crossties and rubbish on the property caught fire.

Firemen said that only the fact that the wind was blowing away from the homes saved houses bordering on Shriver's Hill and Piedmont Avenue.

Some idea of the danger to the city as a whole may be gained by the fact that on several occasions only one fire company was available to put out any fires which might have broken out in the center of town.

Fortunately, there were no such calls, firemen said.

No one was seriously injured in all the fire-fighting although scores of men and boys were badly scratched and torn by brush and briars. A few suffered minor burns. One fire-fighting lad commented, "a lot of people are going to buy new brooms tomorrow."

The broom he was using was beaten down to a mere stubble.

Last evening members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Bowman's Addition Fire Company set up a canteen and served coffee and sandwiches to the volunteers.

Weather In Nearby States

WEST VIRGINIA—Sunny, not so windy and colder today. Tomorrow increasing cloudiness with rising temperature.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA—Considerable cloudiness, colder and rather windy today. Tomorrow mostly sunny with little temperature change.

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Court Postpones Tax Exemption Cases

Following a conference with attorneys, Associate Judge George Henderson announced that the tax exemption suits scheduled to be heard before a full bench April 18, will be postponed to give lawyers an opportunity to amend their pleadings.

The conference was held in judges chambers to clarify issues involved and to make certain all facts in the matter are correctly set forth.

One attorney explained it is almost certain the case will go to the Court of Appeals, and the Court here desires that all pleadings be correctly stated and that all attorneys in the case are fully cognizant of all points involved.

Those who attended the conference included Clarence Lippel and David Kauffman, attorneys for James H. Reed, who is attacking the three of the county's major industries; Lewis M. Wilson, attorney to the Board of County Commissioners, defendants in the action; William C. Walsh, counsel for the Kelly Springfield Tire Company; Charles S. Heskett, attorney for the Cel-bag Corporation of America; and Horace F. Whitworth, Sr., counsel for the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company.

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News Briefs

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Arthur A. Verner, sales manager of the Export Division of the Kelly Springfield Tire Company, who recently returned from a year's trip to South Africa will speak at the Rotary meeting here Tuesday at 12:15 p. m. Mr. Verner was attached to the "COSSAC" under Lord Mountbatten in 1943 and the following year the "SHAEP" under Gen. Eisenhower, and later to the Allied Control Council.

Union and company officials will hold a conference at Towson, Pa., this afternoon in an effort to end the strike of drivers and maintenance men of the Somerset Bus Company. The Union is asking \$1, \$1.05 and \$1.10 per hour for drivers and 80 cents per hour for maintenance workers.

The annual meeting of the LaVale Improvement Association will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock, at which time five directors will be elected.

Arthur G. Ramey, supervisor of pupil personnel for the Allegheny County Board of Education, is in Chicago where he will assist in making plans for the convention next fall and of the National League to Promote School Attendance.

The Ninth grade of Cresaptown Junior High School will present a three-act comedy, "Aunt Susie, Shoots the Works," Thursday and Friday night at 7:30 o'clock in the school auditorium.

Dr. Elizabeth A. Atwater, professor of speech and director of dramatics at Potomac State School, Keyser, W. Va., will be the principal speaker at the Maryland Thespian Conference to be held here April 11 and 12 under the sponsorship of the Cumberland Inter-School National Thespian Council. She will be guest Friday night at a banquet at the Ali Ghan Shrine Country Club.

Stuart A. Monroe, director of pension trusts of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York, will speak to members of the Cumberland Life Underwriters Association at their meeting tomorrow night at 6:15 o'clock in Central YMCA.

Mrs. O. M. Greaver Wants Husband Declared Dead

Mrs. Oranda M. Greaver, 11 Independence Street, through her attorney, E. M. Horcher, has filed a petition in Circuit Court asking that her husband, Henry M. Greaver, who disappeared in July 1937, be declared legally dead.

The Greavers married in 1926, and after having two children, a boy now 20 and a girl now 19, they separated in July 1928, the petition explains. Following the separation, the bill cities, Greaver, who was employed occasionally, although he never contributed to their support. Then in July 1937 he disappeared and has not been seen or heard from since, Mrs. Greaver claims.

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And Peter did deny Him. Yet, having done so, he went out into the darkness and wept bitterly.

Yet that same Peter was one of the first to greet his Lord after his resurrection, throwing himself into the sea that he might come to Him more quickly.

He was always like that — full of such noble impulses, such loving devotion, yet somehow muddling it all up with his human frailty.

You'd be a strange person if you couldn't love Simon Peter after that record. For if ever there was a man who was made after our own pattern, it was that great soul who died in martyrdom for the God he had loved.

We're like that too. How often — how often! — we vow that we will love and serve the truth . . . that we will obey only our better selves. And then, while the words are still warm in our mouths, we are false to them. Daily and hourly we betray the causes which we most love and fall those whom we hold most dear. Daily and hourly we cast ourselves into the outer darkness and weep for shame.

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6-Year-Old Boy Is Badly Hurt By Falling Props

Carl E. Hoff Is In Hospital Here

A 6-year-old Vanderlip, W. Va., boy was admitted to Memorial Hospital early last night for treatment of serious injuries suffered when a number of mine props fell upon him at his home near Romney.

The lad, Carl E. Hoff, son of Carl Hoff, was reported in a "fairly good" condition although suffering from fractures of both legs below the knees, a possible fracture of the pelvis and a possible fracture of the arm.

Robert Leichter, 4, 47 Thomas Street, son of Robert Leichter, a B. and O. worker, was treated in Memorial last night after a dog bit him on the right cheek.

Miss Marie Davis, 39, 416 River Avenue, was treated in Memorial yesterday afternoon for a fractured left arm suffered, she said, when she fell on the porch of her home.

Mrs. Frank Ruppert, 73, Route 3, was treated in Allegheny Hospital late yesterday afternoon for a laceration on the third finger of the right hand. She said her hand was torn by chicken wire.

Fractures Collarbone

Jack Burkett, 15, son of Adam Burkett, Allegheny Grove, an Allegheny Bailistics Laboratory worker, was treated in Allegheny Hospital early last night for a fractured left collarbone. He told attaches he fell off a bicycle and struck his shoulder on the pavement. He was able to leave after a cast was applied.

Robert Smith, 27, 1120 Shad's Lane, who works at McGee's Service Station, was treated in Allegheny Hospital last night for second degree burns of the right arm. He said he was burned when some kerosene exploded.

William Johnson, 43, Route 2, was treated in the same hospital last night for a cut on the left cheek.

Police said last night they were still investigating the circumstances surrounding the injury of William True, Thomas Street, who was taken to Memorial Hospital late Saturday night for treatment of cuts about the face. Police said the man was found on Arch and Second Streets. Charles Heier, 65, 423 Columbia Street, was treated Saturday night in Allegheny Hospital for a lacerated right index finger suffered when bitten by a dog.

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TAKE EASTER STROLL—The News photographer took the above picture yesterday afternoon as the three young ladies were taking an Easter stroll. They are (left to right) Miss Madeline McGinn, 47 Central Avenue, Ridgeley; Miss Wanda Lee Newman, 209 Davidson Street, and Miss Virginia Lee Brant, 346 Bedford Street.

Cancer Campaign Is Started In County

Hugh D. Shires, chairman of the Allegheny county drive to raise funds for the American Cancer Society, announced over the weekend that 25 cans were placed in Cumberland by Boy Scouts Saturday, in which donations can be placed.

Shires also said that leaders are being named in the various county towns and will be announced soon. This week letters will be sent to various clubs, fraternal groups and individuals, asking for contributions.

Plans are also being made to distribute literature in the schools so that the story of the fight against cancer can be taken to the homes by the various students. Memberships in the American Cancer Society will be sold as soon as the necessary books arrive.

Farmers Urged To Join 1947 Program

Farmers in this county are being urged to enroll in the 1947 program of good farming, according to O'Neal, chairman of the Allegheny County Agricultural Conservation Committee.

"Farmers who have not enrolled in the program should stop at the county office, 37 Washington Street, as soon as possible," O'Neal explained. "To date 190 orders for lime have been placed," he said, "and we estimate that there are about 300 more to be filled."

Practices being offered Allegheny county farmers include: ground limestone, super phosphate, potash, permanent pasture, drainage ditching, contour stripcropping, terraces and forest tree planting.

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Fires On Two

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to contend with if there had been an air-raid during the war."

Other grass and brush fires were reported at Fairgo, Braddock Road, and the city dump. Cresaptown and LaVale Companies conquered the flames on Braddock Road without difficulty. Cresaptown and Corriganville fought the fire at Fairgo and District 16 Volunteer Company quenched a blaze at the city dump.

In all, 17 companies of volunteers were called into Cumberland by the Sheriff's office, State Police and city and county officials yesterday. They included Frostburg, Ellerslie, Corriganville, Clarysville, Bowman's Addition, Cresaptown, Mt. Savage, Bedford Road, Baltimore Pike, Midland, District No. 16, Oldtown section; Ridgeley, W. Va., Wiley Ford, W. Va., Centerville, Pa., and Cumberland Hose Company No. 1; Baltimore Pike and Flintstone.

The call to Flintstone was cancelled when it was learned that this unit had just returned from fighting a stubborn woods fire on Town Hill, which came within 30 feet of a dwelling, which was undamaged. Flintstone was then alerted to stand by for the Baltimore Pike area, and that company came into the city.

No One Seriously Hurt

The Cumberland Fire Department's Easter parade began about 11:30 a. m. when East Side fire fighters were summoned to Shriver's Hill to put out a grass fire.

All was quiet until West Side Fire Company was called to McDonnell Terrace when a grass fire broke out.

A few minutes after 1 p. m. East Side Fire Company was called to Shriver's Hill and stayed on that fire until 10:12 p. m. when the blaze was brought under control.

The blaze, firemen said, had burned over an area from Independence to Bedford Street by about 3 p. m. and was then beginning to burn toward Bedford Road. The immediate danger from the blaze ended at 10 p. m. when firemen dragged a line from Bedford Road at Miller Avenue and cut off the fire at that point.

In the meanwhile, South Cumberland Fire Company was called to the old N. and G. Taylor Tin Mill property at 2:08 p. m. when old cross-ties and rubbish on the property caught fire.

Firemen said that only the fact that the wind was blowing away from the homes saved homes bordering on Shriver's Hill and Piedmont Avenue.

Some idea of the danger to the city as a whole may be gained by the fact that on several occasions only one fire company was available to put out any fires which might have broken out in the center of town.

Fortunately, there were no such calls, firemen said.

No one was seriously injured in all the fire-fighting although scores of men and boys were badly scratched and torn by brush and briars. A few suffered minor burns. One fire-fighting lad commented, "a lot of people are going to buy new brooms tomorrow."

The broom he was using was beaten down to a mere stubble.

Last evening members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Bowman's Addition Fire Company set up a canteen and served coffee and sandwiches to the volunteers.

Weather In Nearby States

WEST VIRGINIA—Sunny, not so windy and colder today. Tomorrow increasing cloudiness with rising temperature.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA—Considerable cloudiness, colder and rather windy today. Tomorrow mostly sunny with little temperature change.

Court Postpones Tax Exemption Cases

Following a conference with attorneys, Associate Judge George Henderson announced that the tax exemption suits scheduled to be heard before a full bench April 18, will be postponed to give lawyers an opportunity to amend their pleadings.

The conference was held in judges chambers to clarify issues involved and to make certain all facts in the matter are correctly set forth.

One attorney explained it is almost certain the case will go to the Court of Appeals, and the Court here desires that all pleadings be correctly stated and that all attorneys in the case are fully cognizant of all points involved.

Those who attended the conference included Clarence Lippel and David Kaufman, attorneys for James H. Reed, who is attacking the validity of tax exemptions granted three of the county's major industries; Lewis M. Wilson, attorney to the Board of County Commissioners; defendants in the action; William C. Walsh, counsel for the Kelly Springfield Tire Company; Charles Z. Heskett, attorney for the Celanese Corporation of America; and Horace P. Whitworth, Sr., counsel for the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company.

After Reed attacked the legality of the tax exemptions, the three firms joined in the action as party defendants.

Uncertainty

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whether we work or not will be another thing," they said.

Safety committees will not certify any mines safe, it was indicated, until they are inspected by mine inspectors. This puts the miners who work in the position of doing so at their own risk, one union spokesman declared.

Normal Supply On Hand

Last night, it could not be stated definitely how many men in this coal region would actually produce coal today, but it was indicated that operators will open their mines to those who want to work.

Robert L. Stallings, secretary of the Coal Operators Association said that a shut-down of mines at this time will not seriously handicap other domestic industry. Foreign industries, looking to America for more and more coal to get their production up to normal will be hampered, he explained.

Stallings expressed the opinion that there is enough coal above ground to keep most industries in this area going for 60 days or more, if all mines stop production. He estimated that major local industries have supplies on hand to carry them from six weeks to three months.

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News Briefs

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Arthur A. Verner, sales manager of the Export Division of the Kelly Springfield Tire Company, who recently returned from a year's trip to South Africa, will speak at the Rotary meeting here Tuesday at 12:15 p. m. Mr. Verner was attached to "COSSAC," under Lord Mountbatten in 1943 and the following year the "SHAEF" under Gen. Eisenhower, and later to the Allied Control Council.

Union and company officials will hold a conference at Somerset, Pa., this afternoon in an effort to end the strike of drivers and maintenance men of the Somerset Bus Company. The Union is asking \$1.01 and \$1.10 per hour for drivers and 80 cents per hour for maintenance workers.

The annual meeting of the LaVale Improvement Association will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock, at which time five directors will be elected.

Arthur G. Ramey, supervisor of pupil personnel for the Allegheny County Board of Education, is in Chicago where he will assist in making plans for the convention next fall and of the National League to Promote School Attendance.

The Ninth grade of Cresaptown Junior High School will present a three-act comedy, "Aunt Susie, Shoots the Works," Thursday and Friday night at 7:30 o'clock in the school auditorium.

Dr. Elizabeth A. Atwater, professor of speech and director of dramatics at Potomac State School, Keyser, W. Va., will be the principal speaker at the Maryland Thespian Conference to be held here April 11 and 12 under the sponsorship of the Cumberland Inter-School National Thespian Council. She will be a guest Friday night at a banquet at the Ali Ghan Shrine Country Club.

Stuart A. Monroe, director of pension trusts of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York, will speak to members of the Cumberland Life Underwriters Association at their meeting tomorrow night at 6:15 o'clock in Central YMCA.

Mrs. O. M. Greaver Wants Husband Declared Dead

Mrs. Oranda M. Greaver, 11 Independence Street, through her attorney, E. M. Horschler, has filed a petition in Circuit Court asking that her husband, Henry L. Greaver, who disappeared in July 1937, be declared legally dead.

The Greavers married in 1926, and after having two children, a boy now 20 and a girl now 19, they separated in July 1928, the petition explains. Following the separation, the bill cities, Greaver visited the wife occasionally, although he never contributed to their support. Then in July 1937 he disappeared and hasn't been seen or heard from since, Mrs. Greaver claims.

Driver Is Held Following Crash

One driver was arrested, two persons were injured slightly and four others escaped unhurt in a two-car collision on Mt. Savage Road, one mile from Mt. Savage.

The injured were identified by state police as Miss Wanda Harris, 19, 177 Bowery Street, Frostburg, who was cut about the forehead, and Robert E. Leighty, 43, of 6 Silver Street, Ridgeley, a Western Maryland Railway employee who was in another car. He suffered lacerations of the chin and forehead. Neither required hospital treatment.

According to Trooper G. M. Rotruck, the State Police, the car driven by Leighty, a 1936, 6-cylinder sedan, was traveling north on Route 25, side-swiped a coach driven by William Denver Nave, 20, Cresaptown, headed in the opposite direction. Damage to the cars was estimated at \$100.

Cecil Llewellyn Schriver, 38, 513 Dilley Street, was arrested Saturday night by State Police and charged with violating two motor regulations following a near-head-on collision with a C. and W. bus on Route 40 in LaVale.

According to Trooper G. M. Rotruck, of the State Police, the car driven by Schriver, headed toward Cumberland almost collided with "several" automobiles after barely missing the bus. One vehicle was forced from the road to avoid a crash, Trooper Rotruck said he was told.

Schriver told police he was returning from Uniontown, Pa., and that the car he was driving is owned by C. M. Walsh, 435 Independence Street.

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Perhaps that is because I make so many myself and know the humiliation that can come with them.

And so, whenever I have committed my daily dozen of blunders, I am comforted by that old story of Simon Peter, the beloved disciple who was "The Rock" upon which Christ was to build His church.

He was a strange sort of rock to serve as a foundation for any church—impulsive, hot tempered Peter who always acted first and thought about it afterward. Remember his fury in the old garden when the soldiers came to take his Lord and Peter, distraught, drew out his sword and slashed off the nearest ear? Then how he followed Him in his desolation, crying that he would stand by Him till the end? But Christ knew Peter better than he knew himself. Peter to Peter's indignation, He smiling prophesied that he would deny Him before the cock crowed thrice.

And Peter did deny Him. Yet, having done so, he went out into the darkness and wept bitterly.

Yet that same Peter was one of the first to greet his Lord after his resurrection, throwing himself into the sea that he might come to Him more quickly.

He was always like that—full of such noble impulses, such loving devotion, yet somehow muddling it all up with his human frailty.

You'd be a strange person if you couldn't love Simon Peter after that record. For if ever there was a man who was made after our own pattern, it was that great soul who died in martyrdom for the God he had loved.

We're like that too. How often—how often!—we vow that we will love and serve the truth . . . that we will obey only our better selves. And then, while the words are still warm in our mouths, we are false to them. Daily and hourly we betray the causes which we most love and fall those whom we hold most dear. Daily and hourly we cast ourselves into the outer darkness and weep for shame.

So perhaps it was a wise choice that Jesus made when he said Simon Peter would be the rock on which He'd found His church. There may have been better men amongst His disciples and wiser men, but there never was a more human man in all this world. It might have been a glorious act to choose a less emotional saint on whom to found the faith, but could we ever have loved or followed a saint as we have loved and followed weak, impulsive, devoted, broken hearted Peter?

I think of Peter too when I meet

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I'm glad he was someone like myself, all full of flaws, aglow with glorious vows one moment and wallowing in the gutter the next. After all, that's what is needed of someone who is going to fight and die a hideous death for the One he loves.

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Following the marriage ceremony, there was a reception at the Gunter Hotel, after which the couple left for a motor trip to New York and the Pocono Mountains.

The bride, a graduate of Beall High School and Frostburg State Teachers' College, teaches at East Side School, Cumberland. The bridegroom, a veteran with 33 months service with the Marines in World War II, is an amateur boxer. He is planning to enter college for physical education training. The couple will reside with the bride's parents temporarily.

Frostburg Briefs
The Ladies Auxiliary of the Young Men's Republican Club will hold a card party Tuesday, 8:30 p. m., with Lillian Bender, Mildred Craze and Lydia Biller, hostesses.

The Junior Guild of St. John's Episcopal Church will meet at the parish house Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., with Mrs. Thomas Smith, Mrs. Beverly Hayes and Mrs. Walter Hayes as hostesses.

Frostburg Lodge, No. 1442, Knights of Columbia, will entertain with an Easter dance Monday, 9 p. m., at the club rooms. The affair will be for members and invited guests. Music will be by the Aristocrats.

The committee in charge of the banquet to be held here May 23 for the National Commander Paul H. Griffith of the American Legion will meet Monday night in Legion Hall, East Main street. The drum corps of Faraday Post, No. 24, American Legion will hold a dress rehearsal and inspection Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., at Beall Elementary School.

Frostburg Personal
Mr. and Mrs. James W. Brode, Hagerstown, were Easter guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brode, Locust Street.

Rev. and Mrs. John Grim, students at the Bethany Biblical Seminary, are here the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin F. Grim, East Loo Street, this city, and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Murphy, Fairchance, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Lewis, Hyattsville, Md., were Easter guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hawkins, this city.

Mrs. Edward Lavin, East Main Street is in Washington, D. C., the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Lavin.

Mrs. Alice Carter, Miss Margaret Stottler and Mrs. Lillie Parrett, of Baltimore, spent the weekend here, the guests of Mrs. Carter's mother, Mrs. Alice Fuller, Broadway.

Mrs. George Martin, Huntington, W. Va., and Mr. and Mrs. Isaac B. Goad, Washington, D. C., left Sunday after visiting Mrs. James E. Crump, Bowery Street, mother of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hanson, and daughter, Miss Mary Hanson, Orchard Street, spent the Easter holidays in Cherry Point, N. C., visiting Lt. and Mrs. Harry Hanson, Jr., and their son, James.

SUSIE Q. SMITH

By Linda and Jerry Walter



KEEPING UP WITH HOLLYWOOD

By LOUELLA PARSONS

NEW YORK, April 6—I had a-ternoon coffee with James Mason, I just couldn't come to New York without seeing him because I want to do a Sunday story for the Pictorial Review in the Hearst newspapers.

I won't say too much before the interview appears, but I want to tell you that he says he will be in Hollywood in January to make "The King's General" for Alexander Korda. He says M. O. Sullivan doesn't want to go to Hollywood until his suit with David Rose is settled. He will do "David" as I told you, but not for a year.

I must tell you that we buried the hatchet, and he and Mrs. Mason couldn't have been more civil. I promised to have supper with them after the theater next week. I told him my girl friend, Marion Davies, was one of his fans, so Mrs. Mason suggested he send Marion an autographed picture, which he did.

Lawrence Tierney, on the wagon and behaving like a scout master, is back in Hollywood for his next RKO picture. To the rumors that he's marrying New York socialite, Vid Stokes, Larry says she's a swell girl but they are not tuning up the wedding bells. So that's that.

The movie shaping up for Tierney is "Bodyguard," with Sid Rogell producing. It's a meat racket extortion plot set in Kansas City. That's different for the change. Most of these murder mysteries have Los Angeles backgrounds. Chamber of Commerce, please ignore.

They are really coaxing the young mothers out of retirement at Paramount. Last month, Maureen O'Sullivan, who has been off the screen five years raising a family, returned to emote in "The Big Clock" for her favorite director and the head of the house, John Farrow. Now, after three years, Brenda Marshall (Mrs. Bill Holden in private) returns for the feminine lead opposite Alan Ladd in "Whispering Smith." Brenda's even more beautiful these days than she was when she was a Warner actress before she married Bill. They have three children. It's too bad the type change marriage stories like the Farrow and the Holdens don't get more attention. Everybody's always looking at the Hollywood divorce figures.

Snapshots of Hollywood collected at random: "Has the Audrey Totter-Michael North romance cooled? Lately Janis Paige has been glowing in the candlelight with him at the Beverly Tropics."

Remember Dorothy Gulliver, former actress and beauty contest winner? She's been the wife of press agent Jack Proctor for a week. Betty Hutton and Ted Briskin left for Chicago to show off the baby to the Briskin relatives at Ted's grandmother's birthday.

Mickey Rooney's born companion, Sidney Miller, has been teaching his four-year-old niece the "life is beautiful, life is wonderful" philosophy. The other day the kid wouldn't eat her carrots. "Why not?" asked Sidney. "Because," piped the youngster, "my beautiful carrots are lousy!"

Barbara Stanwyck, the heroine of our ship-to-shore broadcast last Sunday, is the belle of New York these days. Barbara looks wonderful and she and Bob Taylor are being grand to the autograph hounds—which is getting to be a novelty. The Taylors, return to Hollywood April 9, with Bob piloting his own plane from Chicago.

Jean Hersholt is campaigning to get the Academy to present an Oscar for the best musical next year. The shuffle given "The Jolson Story" brought it on.

Bill Crane, Steven's brother is mad, but mad about Olga San Juan—but the belle says she doesn't

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Wells Rites Held

PARSONS, April 6—Funeral services were conducted on Friday in Abbey Dell, French Lick, Indiana for Samuel T. Wells, who died at his home there of pneumonia.

He was born November 9, 1874 a son of the late Willis and Martha Robbins Wells. He is survived by his widow, who was the former Joyce Willard, an only daughter, Mrs. Arthur L. Bohnke of Davis, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild all of Davis. His wife will return to Davis to make her home with her daughter.

Brief Items
The last meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of Davis will be held in the school Friday evening, April 18, according to Mrs. Lawrence Shure, president of the association, who appointed a committee composed of Mrs. Naomi Kneisley, Mrs. Richard Friend, Mrs. Eva Golightly, and Mrs. Jennie Kneisley to nominate officers, which will be elected at this meeting. The Davis Parent-Teacher is the largest in the county with at least 100 parents and children attending each meeting.

Russell Dodd, of the Dodd-Archer Construction Company, announced today that it will take several weeks yet to have the large, 58-ton Diesel shovel back in operation following a wreck last week when the machine slipped over a 20-foot embankment near Douglas. The machine slid into a creek with the driver, a Mr. Helnick, not injured. The motor and other movable parts of the shovel have been removed and repaired. Last week the shovel was set upright and partly brought up the bank.

generated in those denials that Seymour Nebenzahl had bought "Anna Lucas" for \$250,000. Philip Yordan hit the ceiling emphasizing the sales tag is still a half million.

That's all today.

A book, "The Story of Dolls and How to Make Them," by Louise M. Dunn, curator emerita of the Cleveland Museum of Art, gives a recipe for dough from which to cut cookie dolls.

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The couple will reside temporarily at the bride's home, Vale Summit.

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By LOUELLA PARSONS

NEW YORK, April 6—I had afternoon coffee with James Mason, I just couldn't come to New York.

He is a man because I want to do a Sunday story for the Pictorial Review in the Hearst newspapers.

I won't say too much before the interview appears, but I want to tell you that he says he will be in Hollywood in January to make "The King's Consolation."

For Alexander Korda. He says M. O. Sullivan doesn't want to go to Hollywood until his suit with David Rose is settled. He will do "David" as I told you, but not for a year.

I must tell you that we buried the hatchet, and he and Mrs. Mason couldn't have been more charming. I promised to have supper with them after the theater next week. I told him my girl friend, Marion Davies, was one of his fans, so Mrs. Mason suggested he send Marion an autographed picture, which he did.

Lawrence Tierney, on the wagon and behaving like a scout master, is back in Hollywood for his next RKO picture. To the rumors that he's marrying New York socialite, Vicky Stokes, Larry says she's a swell girl but they are not tuning up the wedding bells. So that's that.

The movie shaping up for Tierney is "Bodyguard," with Sid Rogell producing. It's a meat racket expose and the setting is Kansas City. That's different for a change. Most of these murder mysteries have Los Angeles backgrounds. Chamber of Commerce, please ignore.

They are really causing the young mothers out of retirement at Paramount. Last month, Maureen O'Sullivan, who has been off the screen five years raising a family, returned to emote in "The Big Clock" for her favorite director and the head of the house, John Farrow.

Now, after three years, Brenda Marshall (Mrs. Bill Holden in private) returns for the feminine lead opposite Alan Ladd in "Whispering Smith." Brenda's even more beautiful these days than she was when she was a Warner actress before she married Bill. They have three children. It's too bad the type of married stories like the Farrow and the Holdens don't get more attention. Everybody's always looking at the Hollywood divorce figures.

Snapshots of Hollywood collected at random: "Has the Audrey Totter and Michael Redgrave romance cooled? Lately Janis Paige has been glowing in the candlelight with him at the Beverly Tropics."

Remember Dorothy Gulliver, former actress and beauty contest winner? She's been the wife of press agent Jack Brown for a week. Betty Hutton and Ted Briston left for Chicago to show off the baby to all the Briskin relatives at Ted's grandmother's 90th birthday.

Mickey Rooney's boon companion, Sidney Miller, has been teaching his four-year-old niece the "life is beautiful, life is wonderful" philosophy. The other day the kid wouldn't eat her carrots. "Why not?" asked Sidney. "Because," piped the youngster, "my beautiful carrots are lousy!"

Barbara Stanwyck, the heroine of our ship-to-shore broadcast last Sunday, is the belle of New York these days. Barbara looks wonderful and she and Bob Taylor are being grand to the autograph hounds which is getting to be a novelty. The Taylors, return to Hollywood April 9, with Bob piloting his own plane from Chicago.

Jean Hersholt is campaigning to get the Academy to present an Oscar for the best musical next year. The shuffle given "The Jolson Story" brought it on.

Bill Crane, Steven's brother is mad, but mad about Olga San Juan—but the belle says she doesn't.

NOAH NUMSKULL
PROFESSOR—THERE WILL NEVER BE A TRAFFIC JAM ON YOUR ONE TRACK MIND!

DEAR NOAH—IS A TRAIN OF THOUGHT JUST LOADED WITH DICTIONARIES AND ENCYCLOPEDIAS? HARRY E. CLINE WEST LONDON, W.M.A.

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Wells Rites Held

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Brief Items
The last meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of Davis will be held in the school Friday evening, April 18, according to Mrs. Lawrence Shure, president of the association, who appointed a committee composed of Mrs. Naomi Kneisel, Mrs. Richard Friend, Mrs. Eva Goughly, and Mrs. Jennie Koenig to nominate officers, which will be elected at this meeting.

Russell Dodd, of the Dodd-Archer Construction Company, announced today that it will take several weeks to have the large, 58-ton Diesel shovel back in operation following a wreck last week when the machine slipped over a 20-foot embankment near Douglass. The machine slid into a creek with the driver, a Mr. Helmick, not injured. The motor and other movable parts of the shovel have been removed and repaired. Last week the shovel was set upright and partly brought up the bank.

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Well To Keep Few Mines In County Closed Day or So Longer

At least three of the mines in the George's Creek region which were ordered closed by Secretary Krug, administrator of mines under government operation, will not open today because a number of violations of the safety code which brought about the close-down order have not been corrected. That is as it should be, but management should lose little time in having conditions righted so that miners will not be forced to lose more time from work than is absolutely necessary.

"Reasonable safety" conditions, it must be concluded, do prevail in virtually all mines in this region because of the few misfortunes that befall miners, and both worker and management should be alert at all times to keep them so.

It is to be regretted that it required the Centralia, Ill., disaster to bring about this shutdown order, a point raised by John L. Lewis, and on which we can agree.

But the theatrics in which Mr. Lewis is indulging—the lurid phrases by which he is trying to fix on Secretary Krug sole blame for the Centralia tragedy—carry no conviction. All too plainly they are inspired by personal spleen. They prove only that Mr. Lewis will never forgive Secretary Krug and President Truman for the court action they took last Winter to save the country from his reckless abuse of power.

Mr. Krug would have done well to have used the Federal authority to enforce safety in mines under Government operation, whether it was at Centralia or here, in the George's Creek region. But Mr. Lewis and his union also have responsibility and authority. Under the union's contract with the Government, a union safety committee at each of the mines in this region which are affected could have recommended their closing on the belief that an immediate danger existed. Mine managements are required to follow such recommendations unless and until the Federal Coal Mines Administrator rules otherwise.

That union safety committees have not used their authority, as Mr. Lewis claims, because they were intimidated by the Government's injunction against a nationwide strike, seems to us absurd.

Notices of the safety violations had been sent out by Secretary Krug's office to be posted in the mines, to the United Mine Workers headquarters in Washington, and to management. This was done as part of the safety agreement entered into by the Government. Thus the union as well as the management had a share in failure to see that the violations were either stopped or corrected.

The states, too, have responsibility and authority. State safety enforcement is far from good in most cases, and in Illinois it seems to have been terrible. The head of the mine-inspection system there has resigned "for the good of the service"—in the words of Governor Dwight Green.

Coal mining can and must be made a far less hazardous occupation. Buck passing and name calling will not help the 111 men who died in Centralia or save the lives of other miners. The obvious need is to have final responsibility for honest and thoroughly effective safety enforcement plainly centered somewhere, so that there can be no future buck passing.

Real Estate And Building Interests Give Taft A Break

The violence with which spokesmen for real estate and building interests are attacking the Wagner-Ellender-Taft housing bill is not doing the cause of free enterprise any good. Yells of "Socialism" will not convince the American people that it's wrong for the Federal Government to help provide decent homes for low-income families.

To say the least, some of the industry "testimony" against this measure has been nauseating. And some of the tirades against Senator Taft of Ohio because he—a Republican—has dared to join two Democrats in sponsoring the bill seem to us almost incredibly foolish.

Herbert U. Nelson, head of the National Association of Real Estate Boards and prime mover in a big combination of organizations against the bill, told a recent Cleveland meeting: "We will fight Senator Taft on the public-housing issue with all we have. We will take his presidential nomination delegation away from him on this issue. He can't play both sides of the road—free enterprise and socialized housing."

Outbursts of this kind give Senator Taft the best break he's had lately. It makes friends for him among people who have thought him reactionary. At least he's not so hidebound that he's willing to leave millions of people in shacks and hovels because of the real estate and building industry's miserable failure to provide good housing at prices or rentals within their means.

The industry in all its branches—capital, management and labor—is shot through with inefficiency, antiquated methods and restricting practices that keep the cost of building up and the volume of building down. It has not reformed itself. It has demonstrated no real ability to deal adequately with this country's biggest domestic problem and its most productive source of public unrest.

As is generally known, the Wagner-Ellender-Taft bill proposes Federal contributions of less than \$150,000,000 a year to a program aimed at aid in building 12,000,000 or 15,000,000 homes in the next 10 years. It puts emphasis on slum clearance and low-cost housing. It is long and complex, and thoughtful study by Congress, which it should have, may reveal that not all of its provisions are wise.

We fail to see how anything in this bill possibly can endanger free enterprise as much as will blind opposition to public action in a field where private business is so conspicuously failing to live up to its own opportunities and obligations.

Watch Your Sparks!

Human beings throw off static electricity sparks which start many fires, the National Fire Protection Association reports. It declares that persons with dry skin are especially dangerous, and mentions one blond woman who started several fires in a New England shoe factory.

Life constantly is becoming more complex. Blonds soon may be grounding themselves with chains (probably gold) dragging from their ankles, and cosmetic manufacturers have another fear to dangle before persons with dry skin.

HOW TO KEEP WELL

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen

To the limit of space, questions pertaining to the prevention of disease will be answered. Personal replies will be made under proper limitations, when return stamped envelope is inclosed. Dr. Van Dellen will not make diagnoses or prescribe for individual diseases.

DIVERTICULOSIS, tiny pockets form in the wall of the bowel. The number of cases seems to be increasing in spite of the fact that one hundred years ago the disorder was never discussed. In 1849, Cruveilhier first described the condition and for many years thereafter it was generally considered a rare curiosity of academic interest only. At autopsy it was found now and then, perhaps once or twice in every thousand examinations. The practicing physician may have read about it in books but even if he suspected the diagnosis, there was no way to make the diagnosis.

With the development of surgery at the turn of the century, the abnormality was encountered more often. An operation might be recommended because of peritonitis or abscess and when the abdomen was opened, it was discovered that one of these small sacs had ruptured. The surgeons began to wonder if there was any way in which diagnosis could be determined before the ballooning lesions reached this stage. It was not until World War I, when the technic of this type of X-ray diagnosis came into vogue, that the process could be recognized.

We now know that probably 5 to 10 per cent of all persons beyond middle age show evidence of the difficulty. Possibly more are detected nowadays because of the growing tendency for physicians to include X-ray studies in the general checkup. One medical man went so far as to say that every pot-bellied individual over 50 was a candidate because of its prevalence among the overweight.

This would mean that there are more than a million victims in our country. There is no need to become alarmed, however, as the majority of men and women with diverticula exhibit practically no symptoms. Some suffer from constipation or vague pains in the lower abdomen.

When the pockets become inflamed (diverticulitis), discomfort is the rule. Apparently bits of digested food are caught in the little sacs. The resulting irritation leads to inflammation, causing distress over the left side of the abdomen associated with tenderness and constipation or diarrhea. If the infection becomes more severe, the temperature rises and a disturbance analogous to acute appendicitis follows. Should the diverticulum rupture, peritonitis or an abscess ensues and surgery is necessary to bring the situation under control.

Even though the infection is mild, painful spasms in this area may occur from time to time. Belladonna and sedatives will relieve the cramping sensations. In all cases, a diet containing practically no roughage is recommended. Constipation must not be permitted.

As a rule, more than one diverticulum is present and some individuals harbor hundreds, of varying sizes. For this reason wholesale surgical removal is impossible. Fortunately, the pouches rarely if ever become cancerous.

CRAMPING MUSCLES

M. S. writes: What is a spasm in arthritis?

REPLY
As a result of irritation from the affected joints, the nearby muscles become tight and tense. Now and then this spasm is more painful than the original condition.

SHAPE OF STOMACH

G. Z. writes: Is there such a thing as a fish hook stomach and can anything be done about it?

REPLY
This term merely describes the shape of the organ and does not imply that disease exists or that digestion will be hindered. In the same way we refer to a hooked nose or lantern jaw.

PERSPARATION

C. B. writes: Does the body sweat 24 hours a day regardless of activity?

REPLY
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It Says Here

By BOB HOPPS

They are holding a convention here in Los Angeles which will be attended by more than 1,000 school principals.

I heard they came down to ask a few of our Hollywood writers to punch jokes into the graduation exercises.

I can just see the principals coming on the stage doing a shoe dance, singing a few hepped-up lyrics and then killing them with five minute snappy patter before introducing the honor students.

I used to be an honor student and I can honestly say I never cheated. Of course, I was the only one in class who had to wear blinders.

But I think it would be fun bringing show business into the school. Every fall there would be a grand opening and they'd have a youthful Harry Crocker in the lobby describing what the celebrated bobby soxers of the senior class were wearing.

And before exams all the fellows with the answers written on their sleeve would have a sneak preview.

This trend would even take over the high school band. I can see the kids in the orchestra sitting there now playing their hearts out and proudly displaying their junior Petrillo cloths.

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The Washington Merry-Go-Round

Byrnes' Speech At Westminster College Focuses Spotlight On Truman's Military Aide: Gen. Vaughn Has Finger In Every Pie; Influences Greek Policy

Says DREW PEARSON

WASHINGTON, April 6 (AP)—The speech which Jimmie Byrnes is making at Westminster College, Fulton, Mo., focuses the spotlight on one of the most interesting of President Truman's many unique friends—his blustering, roly-poly military aide, Maj. Gen. Harry Vaughn.

When Winston Churchill took the long trip to Fulton, Mo., to make his famous speech proposing an Anglo-American alliance against Russia, the world pondered the mystery of why the close Westminster College, an institution with only 300 students. The answer was that it is Harry Vaughn's alma mater.

And Jimmie Byrnes' first speech since his retirement as Secretary of State is being made at Fulton for exactly the same reason. In both cases, the president of the United States personally requested two of the world's most eminent statesmen to speak at the alma mater of his military aide.

All of which highlights an observation that has been made around the White House: that Harry Truman would do anything under the sun for his friend Harry Vaughn. It also accounts for some of the extraordinary activity of the President's ebullient, irrepressible military aide.

In the opinion of seasoned Washington observers, no White House functionary in years has stuck his head into various branches of the Government with such vigor, and frequently with such disdain for the public interest, as the blunt-spoken, likable ex-manufacturer's representative from Missouri who shot from \$75 a week to \$12,000 a year plus the gold braid, the private limousine, the tunkies and all the power that goes with being at the right hand of the President of the United States.

Meddlesome Harry

General Vaughn has not merely sold his wits on the Russian black market and boasted about it, not merely turned a pig loose in the offices of J. Edgar Hoover and got a great kick out of the newspaper accounts of it; not merely told the D. C. District Attorney whom he should prosecute, and told the attorney general of the United States whom he should not prosecute. In addition, this indefatigable gentleman has also tried to tell the Secretary of Agriculture how to run his department and has stuck various monkeywrenches into State Department machinery on behalf of his royalist friends regarding Greece.

Vaughn's attempt to dictate to Secretary of Agriculture Anderson is considered one of the most meddlesome moves which meddlesome Harry has made in the Truman Administration.

Last year when Europe was starving and the American people were eating one slice of bread per meal, Secretary Anderson cut the quotas of grain allocated to distillers and brewers. He felt that such a sacrifice American public asked to forego bread, the liquor and beer interests could forego part of their output.

And as starvation in Europe continued, Anderson also was under pressure to make a still further cut in grain for distillers. At this point, Gen. Vaughn called up and asked Anderson whether distillers' quotas were going to be changed during the next quarter. Anderson replied that he did not think so.

Vaughn seemed satisfied and said no more.

Friend of Whiskey Distillers

Shortly afterward, however, the grain shortage became even worse, and Anderson took another slice out of the distillers' grain quota. Later that day he left town to fill a speaking engagement. While away, his assistant, Nathan Koenig, got a phone call from the President's military aide.

"What do you mean, changing the distillers' quota without informing me?" Vaughn stormed.

RADIO IN REVIEW

By JOHN CROSBY

Grand Larceny
For the last couple of weeks on the new Milton Berle show (NBC 8 p. m. Tuesdays), the announcer, man named Gallup, has been introducing, much against the wishes of Mr. Berle, a quartet with a high-flown, Russian name. "Stop that noise!" shrieks Mr. Berle. "Quiet!"

All season long on the Jack Benny show, another announcer named Don Wilson has been bringing in, much against the wishes of Mr. Benny, another quartet. "Stop it," yells Mr. Benny. "Stop it."

Later on the Berle program, the orchestra played a truncated version of "Blue Skies." "That was 'Blue Skies,'" announced Mr. Berle. "Sort of an eclipse—by Ray Bloch and his orchestra. The only reason they still have their instruments is that Jamaica Park isn't open yet."

Well, let's see now. Way back last Fall, if memory serves, Fred Allen interrupted the orchestra with the words: "That was just a smattering of 'Chattanooga Choo Choo' played by Al Goodman and 25 men who followed him home from Belmont Park last night."

Jack Benny has for years been kidding his announcer, Don Wilson, about his sumptuous waistline. Berle jibes at his announcer, that man Gallup again, because his waistline is so skinny. A switcheroo, as they call it in radio.

Then there is a man in the show called Fulton Drew Gilbert "bringing you the news from Washington" and contradicting himself in every sentence. It's pretty funny and it was pretty funny a couple of weeks ago when Peter Lind Hayes did it on the Dinah Shore show.

ed, "I'm the one you are to deal with on that. I had assurances that the quotas would not be changed, and I want this order rescinded immediately. Is that clear?"

Vaughn was so vituperative and emphatic that Koenig called Secretary Anderson on the long distance telephone. He even recommended that Anderson rescind his order and increase the grain quotas for distillers. The General, Koenig warned his chief, was in no mood to be trifled with.

"Tell the General," replied Anderson, after carefully listening to his assistant, "that he was not confirmed by the Senate to act as Secretary of Agriculture."

Anderson's previous reductions in distillers' grain quotas remained.

Vaughan And Greeks

Other officials have been more pliable. When Vaughn doesn't want a critic of the King of Greece to visit Athens, high State Department officials refuse a passport. And the most pliable of all seems to be the President himself.

There seems to be almost nothing Truman will not do for his story-telling, poker-playing military aide. That undoubtedly explains why

PITCHING HORSESHOES

by Billy Rose

It hadn't been much of a day. As I went to the phone.

"Major Timothy Morgan to see you," said the girl at the switchboard.

"Send the old swindler down," I told her.

The self-commissioned Major walked in, as usual exuding bourbon, sen-sen and larceny. In addition, he was sporting a black eye you couldn't cover with two dollars' worth of steak.

"Where'd you get the shiner?" I asked him.

The moth-eaten mountaineer ignored the question and went into his pitch. "A hundred dollars buys a sofa, a tripod, and half a gross of kewpie dolls. An extra dollar buys the basket in which we carry the money to the bank."

"Where'd you get the shiner?" I repeated. "No story, no touch. Give."

Timothy sighed. "Ah, memories that bleed and burn. It happened in Georgia. I was working my way north from Miami. Outside Savannah, I got into an argument with an unsympathetic brakeman and found myself walking. Toward evening, just outside the city limits, I saw the friendly lights of a ferry wheel. My boy, it was like a lantern in the window.

"It was the Considine Wonder Shows. I walked up the midway, again breathing the life-giving fragrance of popcorn and old canvas. Near the snake show, a gentleman was dealing Three-Card Monte. I gave him the fraternal grip and asked offered my services as a shill. A sizable crowd collected to watch me try to find the Queen. The dealer let me win two dollars for my efforts. I allowed myself to be crowded away from the table by the eager sportsman and kept walking.

"Spring was making itself felt in Georgia that night. The merry-makers were walking two-by-two. Suddenly I felt a little lonely and old. I stopped for a moment and watched Waleska, the lady wrestler, flexing her muscles and offering to take on all comers.

"And then I saw Her! A canyons sign above her head outlined her name in silver flitter — Roberta, the Bearded Lady!

"She was sitting on a wooden platform giving the populace a free

Truman granted an interview to Greek Royalist Archbishop Athenagoras and to Rev. Thomas Daniels, the Greek priest with the dubious reputation whom FDR had declined to see.

Just a few years ago, Gen. Vaughn had a low-paying job as manufacturer's representative for the Hines Company of Milwaukee, the T. J. Mess, Inc., and the Heim Binder Co., also of Milwaukee. In 1939 he became secretary to Senator Harry Truman. Salary—\$4,200. Came the war years and the Truman Committee hit the headlines. Vaughn, then in the Army, was assigned to the War Department to be its contact man with the Truman Committee.

Franklin Roosevelt died, Harry Truman entered the White House. Now Vaughn, sitting at the right hand of the President of the United States, turns ples loose in the office of J. Edgar Hoover, influences our most important foreign policy—regarding Greece—and tries to tell the Secretary of Agriculture how much grain the American people should use for bread and whiskey.

It's a great life—if you can get away with it. And thanks to his old friend, Vaughn does.

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look at the luxuriant chin-growth Nature had bestowed on her. As I looked upon this matchless creature combining out her red whiskers, I was smitten with a sentiment, too delicate and subtle to describe.

"That night, instead of investing the dealer's deuce in pork chops, I bought a box of candy in the shape of a red heart. From an unattended burial plot nearby, I gathered up an armful of early Spring flowers. When the sidewalk lights began to dim, I went calling on my intended."

"Hold on," I cut in. "You mean you wanted to marry the bearded lady?"

"That was my intention, sir," boomed the Major. "Her police and I had impressed me tremendously. Also, I had plans. With my showmanship and her beauty, I could see nothing but sunshine and roses. I envisioned our life together, she with ribbons in her beard, and I with money in every pocket. And the older she got, the longer the beard and the bigger the take."

"Don't stop," I said. "This I gotta hear."

The run-down Romeo continued, "A Barker told me Roberta was living in a trailer behind her tent, near the Waleka, the lady wrestler. I knocked on her door and boldly entered. Roberta, in a flowered dressing gown, was putting curlers in her magnificent shrunken hair."

"I introduced myself and began describing what her life would be like as Mrs. Major Timothy Morgan. I showed word-pictures of our triumphs, how I would use the capitals of the world. In a moment, I was stroking her silky beard. Roberta seemed unaccountably shy."

"I sensed the occasion called for the approach impetuous. I threw my arms around the lady and began whispering half-remembered love words in her ear."

The Major took out a red handkerchief and delicately mopped the back of his neck.

"Don't stop now," I panted. "What happened?"

"There is little more to tell," said Timothy Morgan. "Roberta let out a holler which shook the side walls of the trailer. Next thing I knew, Waleska, the lady wrestler, burst into the trailer and seized me in a double hammerlock. She spun me around and down like a yo-yo. Roberta indicated her endorsement of the proceedings by planting her red high-heeled slipper in my eye."

"I don't get it," I said. "Why the mayhem? You're not a bad-looking fellow."

"The band explained everything," said the Major. "Waleska, the lady wrestler, was enamored of Roberta. And up to two seasons ago, Roberta was better known as Bob Kranz, shortstop for the House of David baseball team!"

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Today's Talk

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS

AS WE ARE

Often the thought comes to me that the greatest friend—and one to tie to—is the one who sees all our faults, and still sticks to us! I am certain that I often offend someone else without a dreamed-of intention. Just the same, I am so full of myself that I often, as I am—faults included!

Each one of us has a personality—and often it is quite a strange mixture—but it is as we are. We ought to let it rest there. It was William James who once said that the first thing to learn in intercourse with others is non-interference with their own particular ways of being happy, provided those ways do not assume to interfere by violence with ours."

Unselfish devotion to a friend—accepting his finer inner qualities, is to cement both his self-respect and his devotion, in turn to you. We all have bad traits, unfortunately, and we are quite prone to point out in others these very traits that are harbored in us. So it is always best to see the good in others. That will do a great deal to wipe out the bad in us!

I have a friend who is about as erratic as they make them. But there is not a mean streak in his entire make-up. He is honest, loyal, unselfish, and intelligent. He sees the good in people and his humor is spontaneous. He's a grand companion. I understand him, and accept him as he is, regardless of his many faults, that so many criticize. I have tried to him for years—and I always shall.

Too many people try to make others over, rather than letting them alone—as they are. There used to be a famous evangelist, named Sam Jones, who drew immense crowds. He was most original in his preaching and used colorful language

THESE DAYS

By George E. Sokolsky

THE big change that the last war made in the affairs of man has been the elimination of the small nations. True many of them hold forth in UN, but they are frightened and mostly dependent. The world is divided among the countries that possess huge masses of population and great resources in foodstuffs and raw materials, particularly metals.

Of these the greatest are the United States and Soviet Russia. Next are China and India. Brazil and the Argentine can, in time, mean more than Great Britain and France. In a word, if the measure of power is the war potential, the course of human history has been changed as positively as when Elizabeth's fleet and the wind destroyed Philip's Armada. Then England, so often conquered, became the unconquerable, the mistress of the seas, the ruler upon whose flag the sun never set.

That was then—but not now when a war can take its 60,000,000 casualties and consume trillions in wealth. Today that nation only can survive independent that possesses within its boundaries the food for its population and the physical weapons for survival. We continue to glory in the culture of the past but we have witnessed the inhumanity of airplane and tank and atomic bomb and know now that if there is to be any hitting at all, it must be hard and swift. For destruction can be total.

The small nations live in the shadow of that fact. It is for this reason, as much as ideological infiltration, that the small nations of Eastern Europe have been forced to accept the patronage of the great, Poland, Rumania, and Bulgaria, as much as Communist Yugoslavia, have become Russian fiefs, because they cannot exist otherwise. Czechoslovakia tries to be Janus-headed, to look to the East and the West at the same time, but it has been forced to be more watchful of Russia because the Bear is closer at hand. The Hungarians are hopeful that the Western world will resist.

Meanwhile, the small nations devote themselves to conning for survival. It is exciting, for instance, to note how little Syria plays in UN to win Russian friendship while holding court. It is a skillful game in tight corners. Others will try to outdo the Kremlin and Washington.

Too while the world waits for the Kremlin and Washington to decide which is the dominant power. In an era in which moral values play no part in the affairs of state, only force and the physical support for force counts.

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ASSETS
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection \$ 2,175,980.59
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed 10,182,249.43
Obligations of States and political subdivisions 122,695.49
Other bonds, notes, and debentures 40,000.00
Corporate stocks (including \$ none stock of Federal Reserve Bank) 1.00
Loans and discounts (including \$ none overdrafts) 2,877,439.05
Bank premises owned \$247,590.39, furniture and fixtures \$11,797.08
(Bank premises owned are subject to \$ none liens not assumed by bank)

Real estate owned other than bank premises 1.00
Other assets 41,065.53
TOTAL ASSETS \$15,698,820.57

LIABILITIES
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations \$ 6,737,864.42
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations 6,664,793.42
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings) 290,569.19
Deposits of State and political subdivisions 652,832.51
Deposits of banks 133,726.71
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.) 267,654.11

TOTAL DEPOSITS \$14,747,440.36
Other liabilities 105,912.64
TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below) \$14,853,353.00

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS
Capital* 400,000.00
Surplus 250,000.00
Undivided profits 195,467.57
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$ 845,467.57

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$15,698,820.57
*The bank's capital consists of:
Common stock with total par value of \$400,000.00

MEMORANDA
Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$ 701,672.29
I, Thomas L. Keech, Treasurer, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

THOMAS L. KEECH, Treasurer.
Correct—Attest:
CHARLES A. PIPER
EDMUND S. BURKE
WILLIAM C. WALSH
Directors.

State of Maryland, County of Allegany, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of April, 1947, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
My commission expires May 5, 1947.

Witness my hand and Notary Public seal this 5th day of April, 1947.
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Monday Morning, April 7, 1947

Well To Keep Few Mines In County Closed Day or So Longer

At least three of the mines in the George's Creek region which were ordered closed by Secretary Krug, administrator of mines under government operation, will not open today because a number of violations of the safety code which brought about the close-down order have not been corrected. That is as it should be, but management should lose little time in having conditions righted so that miners will not be forced to lose more time from work than is absolutely necessary.

"Reasonable safety" conditions, it must be concluded, do prevail in virtually all mines in this region because of the few misfortunes that befall miners, and both worker and management should be alert at all times to keep them so.

It is to be regretted that it required the Centralia, Ill., disaster to bring about this shutdown order, a point raised by John L. Lewis, and on which we can agree.

But the theatrics in which Mr. Lewis is indulging—the lurid phrases by which he is trying to fix on Secretary Krug sole blame for the Centralia tragedy—carry no conviction. All too plainly they are inspired by personal spleen. They prove only that Mr. Lewis will never forgive Secretary Krug and President Truman for the court action they took last winter to save the country from his reckless abuse of power.

Mr. Krug would have done well to have used the Federal authority to enforce safety in mines under government operation, whether it was at Centralia or here, in the George's Creek region. But Mr. Lewis and his union also have responsibility and authority. Under the union's contract with the Government, a union safety committee at each of the mines in this region which are affected could have recommended their closing on the belief that an immediate danger existed. Mine managements are required to follow such recommendations unless and until the Federal Coal Mines Administrator rules otherwise.

That union safety committees have not used their authority, as Mr. Lewis claims, because they were intimidated by the Government's injunction against a nationwide strike, seems to us absurd.

Notices of the safety violations had been sent out by Secretary Krug's office to be posted in the mines, to the United Mine Workers headquarters in Washington, and to management. This was done as part of the safety agreement entered into by the Government. Thus the union as well as the management had a share in failure to see that the violations were either stopped or corrected.

The states, too, have responsibility and authority. State safety enforcement is far from good in most cases, and in Illinois it seems to have been terrible. The head of the mine-inspection system there has resigned "for the good of the service"—in the words of Governor Dwight Green.

Coal mining can and must be made a far less hazardous occupation. Buck passing and name calling will not help the 111 men who died in Centralia or save the lives of other miners. The obvious need is to have final responsibility for honest and thoroughly effective safety enforcement plainly centered somewhere, so that there can be no future buck passing.

Real Estate And Building Interests Give Taft A Break

The violence with which spokesmen for real estate and building interests are attacking the Wagner-Elliender-Taft housing bill is not doing the cause of free enterprise any good. Yells of "Socialism" will not convince the American people that it's wrong for the Federal Government to help provide decent homes for low-income families.

To say the least, some of the industry "testimony" against this measure has been nauseating. And some of the tirades against Senator Taft of Ohio because he—a Republican—has dared to join two Democrats in sponsoring the bill seem to us almost incredibly foolish.

Herbert U. Nelson, head of the National Association of Real Estate Boards and prime mover in a big combination of organizations against the bill, told a recent Cleveland meeting: "We will fight Senator Taft on the public-housing issue with all we have. We will take his presidential nomination delegation away from him on this issue. He can't play both sides of the road—free enterprise and socialized housing."

Outbursts of this kind give Senator Taft the best break he's had lately. It makes friends for him among people who have thought him reactionary. At least he's not so hidebound that he's willing to leave millions of people in shacks and hovels because of the real estate and building industry's miserable failure to provide good housing at prices or rentals within their means.

The industry in all its branches—capital, management and labor—is shot through with inefficiency, antiquated methods and restricting practices that keep the cost of building up and the volume of building down. It has not reformed itself. It has demonstrated no real ability to deal adequately with this country's biggest domestic problem and its most productive source of public unrest.

As is generally known, the Wagner-Elliender-Taft bill proposes Federal contributions of less than \$150,000,000 a year to a program aimed at aid in building 22,000,000 or 15,000,000 homes in the next 10 years. It puts emphasis on slum clearance and low-cost housing. It is long and complex, and thoughtful study by Congress, which it should have, may reveal that not all of its provisions are wise.

We fail to see how anything in this bill possibly can endanger free enterprise as much as will blind opposition to public action in a field where private business is so conspicuously failing to live up to its own opportunities and obligations.

Watch Your Sparks!

Human beings throw off static electricity sparks which start many fires, the National Fire Protection Association reports. It declares that persons with dry skin are especially dangerous, and mentions one blond woman who started several fires in a New England shoe factory.

Life constantly is becoming more complex. Blonds soon may be grounding themselves with chains (probably gold) dragging from their ankles, and cosmetic manufacturers have another fear to dangle before persons with dry skin.

HOW TO KEEP WELL

By Dr. Theodore R. Van Dellen

To the limit of space, questions pertaining to the prevention of disease will be answered. Personal replies will be made under proper limitations, when return stamped envelope is inclosed. Dr. Van Dellen will not make diagnoses or prescribe for individual diseases.

DIVERTICULOSIS, tiny pockets form in the wall of the bowel. The number of cases seems to be increasing in spite of the fact that one hundred years ago the disorder was never discussed. In 1849, Cruveilhier first described the condition and for many years thereafter it was generally considered a rare curiosity of academic interest only. At autopsy it was found now and then, perhaps once or twice in every thousand examinations. The practicing physician may have read about it in books but even if he suspected the condition, there was no way to make the diagnosis.

With the development of surgery at the turn of the century, the abnormality was encountered more often. An operation might be recommended because of peritonitis or abscess and when the abdomen was opened, it was discovered that one of these small sacs had ruptured. The surgeons began to wonder if there was any way in which diagnosis could be determined before the ballooning lesions reached this stage. It was not until World War I, when the technique of this type of X-ray visualization came into vogue, that the process could be recognized.

We now know that probably 5 to 10 per cent of all persons beyond middle age show evidence of the difficulty. Possibly more are detected nowadays because of the growing tendency for physicians to include X-ray studies in the general checkup. One medical man went so far as to say that every pot-bellied individual over 50 was a candidate because of its prevalence among the overweight.

This would mean that there are more than a million victims in our country. There is no need to become alarmed, however, as the majority of men and women with diverticula exhibit practically no symptoms. Some suffer from constipation or vague pains in the lower abdomen. When the pockets become inflamed (diverticulitis), discomfort is the rule. Apparently bits of digested food are caught in the little sacs. The resulting irritation leads to inflammation, causing distress over the left side of the abdomen associated with tenderness and constipation or diarrhea. If the infection becomes more severe, the temperature rises and a disturbance analogous to acute appendicitis follows. The diverticulum ruptures, peritonitis ensues, and surgery is necessary to bring the situation under control.

Even though the infection is mild, painful spasms in this area may occur from time to time. Belladonna and sedatives will relieve the cramping sensations. In all cases, a diet containing practically no roughage is recommended. Constipation must not be permitted. As a rule, more than one diverticulum is present and some individuals harbor hundreds, of varying sizes. For this reason wholesale surgical removal is impossible. Fortunately, the pouches rarely if ever become cancerous.

CRAMPING MUSCLES
M. S. writes: What is a spasm in arthritis?

REPLY
As a result of irritation from the affected joints, the near-by muscles become tight and tense. Now and then this spasm is more painful than the original condition.

SHAPE OF STOMACH
G. Z. writes: Is there such a thing as a fish hook stomach and can anything be done about it?

REPLY
This term merely describes the shape of the organ and does not imply that disease exists or that digestion will be hindered. In the same way we refer to a hooked nose or lantern jaw.

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And Jimmie Byrnes' first speech since his retirement as Secretary of State is being made at Fulton for exactly the same reason. In both cases, the president of the United States personally requested two of the world's most eminent statesmen to speak at the alma mater of his military aide.

All of which highlights an observation sometimes made around the White House that Harry Truman would do anything under the sun for his friend Harry Vaughn. It also accounts for some of the extraordinary activity of the President's ebullient, irrepressible military aide.

In the opinion of seasoned Washington observers, no White House functionary in years has stuck his hand into various branches of the Government with such vigor, and frequently with such disdain for the public interest, as the blunt-spoken, likable ex-manufacturer's representative from Missouri who shot from \$75 a week to \$12,000 a year plus the gold braid, the private limousine, the flunkies and all the power that goes with sitting at the right hand of the President of the United States.

Middle-of-the-Road Harry

General Vaughn has not merely sold wrist watches on the Russian black market and boasted about it; not merely turned a pig loose in the offices of J. Edgar Hoover and got a great kick out of the newspaper accounts of it; not merely told the D. C. District Attorney whom he should prosecute, and told the Attorney General of the United States whom he should not prosecute. In addition, this indefatigable gentleman has also tried to tell the Secretary of Agriculture how to run his department and has stuck various monkeywrenches into State Department machinery on behalf of his royalist friends regarding Greece.

Vaughn's attempt to dictate to Secretary of Agriculture Anderson is considered one of the most middle-of-the-road moves which meddlesome Harry has made backstage in the Truman Administration.

Last year when Europe was starving and the American people were eating one slice of bread per meal, Secretary Anderson cut the quotas of grain allocated to distillers and brewers. He felt that with the entire American public asked to forego bread, the liquor and beer interests could forego part of their output.

And as starvation in Europe continued, Anderson also was under pressure to make a still further cut in grain for distillers. At this point, Gen. Vaughn called up and asked Anderson whether distillers' quotas were going to be changed during the next quarter. Anderson replied that he did not think so.

Vaughn seemed satisfied and said no more.

Friend of Whiskey Distillers
Shortly afterward, however, the grain shortage became even worse, and Anderson took another slice out of the distillers' grain quota. Later that day he left town to fill a speaking engagement. While away, his assistant, Nathan Koenig, got a phone call from the President's military aide.

"What do you mean, changing the distillers' quota without informing me?" Vaughn stormed.

RADIO IN REVIEW

By JOHN CROSBY

Grand Larceny
For the last couple of weeks on the new Milton Berle show (NBC 8 p. m. Tuesdays), the announcer, man named Gallup, has been introducing, much against the wishes of Mr. Berle, a quiet, well-known, Russian name. "Stop that noise!" shrieks Mr. Berle. "Quiet!"

All season long on the Jack Benny show, another announcer named Don Wilson, has been bringing in, much against the wishes of Mr. Benny, another quartet. "Stop it," yells Mr. Benny. "Stop it."

Then on the Berle program, the orchestra played a truncated version of "Blue Skies." "That was 'Blue Skies,' an old-fashioned song," Mr. Berle, a quiet, well-known, Russian name.

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Well, let's see now. Way back last Fall, if memory serves, Fred Allen interrupted the orchestra with the words: "That was just a smattering of 'Chattanooga Choo Choo' played by Al Goodman and 25 men who followed him home from Belmont Park last night."

Jack Benny has for years been kidding his announcer, Don Wilson, about his sumptuous waistline. Berle jibes at his announcer, that man Gallup again, because his waistline is so skinny. A switcheroo, as they call it in radio.

Then there is a man in the show called Fulton Drew Gilbert "bringing you the news from Washington" and contradicting himself in every sentence. It's pretty funny and it was pretty funny a couple of weeks ago when Peter Lind Hayes did it on the Dinah Shore show.

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"I'm the one you are to deal with on that. I had assurances that the quotas would not be changed, and I want this order rescinded immediately. Is that clear?"

Vaughn was so vituperative and emphatic that Koenig called Secretary Anderson on the long distance telephone. He even recommended that Anderson rescind his order and increase the grain quotas for distillers. The General, Koenig was told, his chief, was in no mood to be trifled with.

"Tell the General," replied Anderson, "that he was not confirmed by the Senate to act as Secretary of Agriculture."

Anderson's previous reductions in distillers' grain quotas remained.

Vaughn and Greeks
Other officials have been more pliable. When Vaughn doesn't want a critic of the King of Greece to visit Athens, High State Department officials refuse a passport. And the most pliable of all seems to be the President himself.

There seems to be almost nothing Truman will not do for his story-telling, poker-playing military aide. That undoubtedly explains why

PITCHING HORSESHOES
by Billy Rose

It hadn't been much of a day. And then the phone rang. "Major Timothy Morgan to see you," said the girl at the switchboard.

"Send the old swindler down," I told her.

The self-commissioned Major walked in, as usual, exuding bronzed, gray-haired grandeur and larceny. In addition, he was sporting a black eye you couldn't cover with two dollars' worth of steak.

"Where'd you get the shiner?" I asked him.

The moth-eaten mountaineer ignored the question and went into his pitch. A hundred dollars buys a brace of parrots and a gross of kewpie dolls. An extra dollar buys the basket in which we carry the money to the bank.

"Where'd you get the shiner?" I repeated. "No story, no touch. Give."

Timothy sighed. "Ah, memories that bleed and burn. It happened in Georgia. I was working my way north from Miami. Outside Savannah, I got into an argument with an unsympathetic brakeman and found myself walking. Toward evening, just outside the city, I was struck by a car. Outside Savannah, I got into an argument with an unsympathetic brakeman and found myself walking. Toward evening, just outside the city, I was struck by a car.

"It was the Considine Wonder Show. I walked up the midway, again breathing the life-giving fragrance of popcorn and old canvas. Near the snake show, a gentleman was dealing Three-Card Monte. I gave him the fraternal grip and offered my services as a shell. A sizable crowd collected to watch me try to find the Queen. The dealer let me win two dollars for my efforts. I allowed myself to be crowded away from the table by the eager sportsman and kept walking.

"Spring was making itself felt in Georgia that night. I was walking two-by-two. Suddenly I felt a little lonely and old. I stopped for a moment and watched Waleka, the lady wrestler, flexing her muscles and offering to take on all comers.

"And then I saw Her! A canvas sign above her head outlined her name in silver flitter—Roberta, the Bearded Lady!

"She was sitting on a wooden platform giving the populace a free

Truman granted an interview to Greek Royalist Archbishop Athanasios and to Rev. Thomas Daniels, the Greek priest with the dubious reputation whom FDR had declined to see.

Just a few years ago, Gen. Vaughn had a low-paying job as manufacturers' representative for the Hines Company of Milwaukee, the T. J. Moss Tie Co., and the Heim Binder Co., also of Milwaukee. In 1939 he became secretary to Senator Harry Truman, salary—\$4,300. Canada was years ago with the Truman Committee hit the headlines. Vaughn, then in the Army, was assigned by the War Department to be its contact man with the Truman Committee.

Franklin Roosevelt died. Harry Truman entered the White House. Now Vaughn, sitting at the right hand of the President of the United States, turns his loose in the office of J. Edgar Hoover, influences our most important foreign policy—regarding Greece—and tries to tell the Secretary of Agriculture how much grain the American people should use for bread and whiskey.

It's a great life—if you can get away with it. And thanks to his old friend, Vaughn does.

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look at the luxuriant chin-growth Nature had bestowed on her. As I gazed upon this matchless creature, I went calling on my intended. I was smitten with a sentiment, too delicate and subtle to describe.

"That night, instead of investing the dealer's dime in pork chops, I bought a box of candy in the shape of a red heart. From an unattended burial plot nearby, I gathered up an armful of early Spring flowers. When the sidewalk lights began to dim, I went calling on my intended."

"Hold on," I cut in. "You mean you wanted to marry the bearded lady?"

"That was my intention, sir," boomed the Major. "Her poise and charm had impressed me tremendously. Also, I had plans. With my showmanship and her beard, I could see nothing but sunshine and roses. I envisioned our life together, she with ribbons in her beard, and I with money in every pocket. And the older she got, the longer the beard and the bigger the take."

"Don't stop," I said. "This I gotta hear."

The run-down Romeo continued. "A Barker told me Roberta was living in a trailer behind her tent, near that of Waleka, the lady wrestler. I knocked on her door and boldly entered. Roberta, in a flowered dressing gown, was putting curlers in her magnificent shrunken hair.

"I introduced myself and began describing my plan. Her life would be like a Mrs. Major Timothy Morgan. I painted word-pictures of our triumphal tour through the capitals of the world. In a moment, I was stroking her silky beard. Roberta seemed unaccountably shy.

"I sensed the occasion called for the approach impetuous. I threw my arms around the lady and began whispering half-remembered love words in her ear."

The Major took out a red handkerchief and delicately mopped the back of his neck.

"Don't stop now," I panted. "What happened?"

"There is little more to tell," said Timothy Morgan. "Roberta let out a howl which shook the side walls of the trailer. Next thing I knew, Waleka, the lady wrestler, burst into the trailer and seized me in a double hammerlock. She spun me around her head and bounced me up and down like a yo-yo. Roberta indicated her endorsement of these proceedings by planting her red high-heeled slipper in my eye."

"I don't get it," I said. "Why the mayhem? You're not a bad-looking fellow."

"The Barker explained everything," said the Major. "Waleka, the lady wrestler, was enamored of Roberta. And up to two seasons ago, Roberta was better known as Bob Kranz, shortstop for the House of David baseball team!"

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Today's Talk

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS

AS WE ARE
Often the thought comes to me that the greatest friend—and one to tie to—is the one who sees all our faults, and still sticks to us! I am certain that I often offend someone else without a dreamed-of intention to do so. How magnanimous for that one to pass it off, as unintentional—and just take me as I am—faults included!

Each one of us has a personality—and often it is quite a strange mixture—but it is as we are. We ought to let it rest there. It was William James who once said that the first thing to learn in intercourse with others is non-interference with their own particular ways of being happy, provided those ways do not assume to interfere by violence with ours.

Unselfish devotion to a friend—accepting that friend as he is—seems a finer inner quality than to cement both his self-respect and his devotion, in turn to you. We all have bad traits, unfortunately, and we are quite prone to point out in others these very traits that are harbored in us. So it is always best to see for the good in others. That will do a great deal to wipe out the bad in us!

I have a friend who is about as erratic as they make them. But there is not a mean streak in his entire make-up. He is honest, loyal, unselfish and intelligent. He sees the good in people and his humor is spontaneous. He's a grand companion. I understand him, and accept him as he is, regardless of his many faults, that so many criticize. I have tried to him for years—and I always fail.

Too many people try to make others over, rather than letting them be alone—as they are. There used to be a famous evangelist, named Sam Jones, who drew immense crowds. He was most original in his preaching and used colorful language

THESE DAYS

By George E. Sokolsky

THE big change that the last war made in the affairs of man has been the elimination of the small nations. True many of them hold forth in UN, but they are frightened and mostly dependent. The world is divided among the countries that possess huge masses of population and great resources in foodstuffs and raw materials, particularly metals.

Of these the greatest are the United States and Soviet Russia. Next are China and India, Brazil and the Argentine can, in time, mean more than Great Britain and France. In a word, if the measure of might is the war potential, the course of human history has been changed as positively as when Elizabeth's fleet and the wind destroyed Philip's Armada. Then England, so often conquered, became the unconquerable, the mistress of the seas, the ruler upon whose flag the sun never set.

That was then—but not now when a war can take its 60,000,000 casualties and consume trillions in wealth. Today that nation only can survive independent that possesses within its boundaries the food for its population and the physical weapons for survival. We continue to glory in the culture of the past but we have witnessed the inhumanity of airplane and tank and atomic bomb and know now that if there is to be any better life at all, it must be hard and swift. For destruction can be total.

The small nations live in the shadow of that fact. It is for this reason, as much as ideological infiltration, that the small nations of Eastern Europe have been forced to accept the patronage of the great. Poland, Rumania, and Bulgaria, as much as Communist Yugoslavia, have become Russian fiefs, because they cannot exist otherwise. Czechoslovakia tries to be Janus-headed, to look to the East and the West at the same time, but it has been forced to be more watchful of Russia because the Bear is closer at hand. The Hungarians are hopeful that the Western world will rescue them.

Meanwhile, the small nations devote themselves to conniving for survival. It is exciting, for instance, to note how little Syria plays in UN to win Russian friendship while holding others. It is a skillful game in tight corners. Others will try to look to the world while waiting for the Kremlin and Washington to decide which is the dominant power. In an era in which moral values play no part in the affairs of state, only force and the physical support for force controls.

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TOTAL DEPOSITS \$14,747,440.36
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By C. E. BUTTERFIELD

NEW YORK, April 6.—Headed by Al Jolson, quite a cast is being assembled for the CBS Radio Theater on Monday night at 9. Main radio talent, others to appear are Dinah Shore, Dick Haymes and Tyrone Power. Reason for this "galaxy" is the fact that the broadcast is to be an adaptation of the revived movie on "Alexander's Ragtime Band." Talent costs are not expected to be as high as might otherwise have been the case if the broadcast were not a tie-in with the movie.

MBS has decided it should have an hour of "who dun it" on Monday. So it is moving Scotland Yard out of Tuesday nights into 8. This will put it just ahead of the 8:30 Casebook of Gregory Hood.

Eddie Bracken, who only recently was dropped by his former sponsor on CBS, gets back on that network as a guest at 10 o'clock. He will be in the Screen Guild's "Christmas in July."

Lionel Barrymore from the CBS Saturday night schedule, does a Monday night showup on NBC at 9:30 in the Goodman.

In the Goodman and Borge show, Maggie Teyte, British Lyric soprano, goes back into the guest department of the Don Voorhees concert on NBC at 9.

Mason Adams, picked to handle the eerie role lead in Inner Sanctum of CBS at 8, will deal with "The Kiss of Death," including a "mysterious woman" white.

Another Monday night drama, Caldecott of America of NBC at 8, is to tell the story of "That Skipper From Stonington," with the help of Dana Andrews and Richard Loper.

The Radio Clock

MONDAY, APRIL 7

Time is eastern standard. For central standard subtract one hour, for mountain standard subtract two hours. Some local stations change hour of relay to fit local schedule. Last minute program changes cannot be included.

Evening

4:00—News Report, 15 Mix.—nbc
Eric Sevareid and News—cbs
Network Silent (1 h.)—abc-east
Terry Serial Repeat—abc-west
Network Silent (1 h.)—mbs-east
Hop Harrigan Repeat—mbs-west

4:15—America Serenade: Sports—nbc
In My Opinion, Talks—cbs
Repeat by Sky King—abc-west
Repeat by Superman—mbs-west

4:30—Red Barber and Sports—cbs
Jack Armstrong Repeat—abc-west
Capt. Midnight Repeat—mbs-west

4:45—Lowell Thomas Newscast—nbc
World News & Commentary—cbs
Tommy Lee Repeat—abc-west
Tom Mix in Repeat—mbs-west

7:00—Radio Supper Club—nbc-basis
Mystery Drama for the Week—cbs
News and Commentary—abc
Fulton Lewis, Jr., Comment—mbs

7:15—News and Comment—nbc
Jack Smith Show Series—cbs
Elmer Davis Commentary—abc
Dancing Music Orchestras—mbs-basis

7:30—The Skipper Show—nbc
Bob Hawk and Comment—cbs
Dancing Half Hour—other—cbs
The Lone Ranger Drama—abc
Henry J. Sawing Machine—mbs

7:45—Kaltenbach's Comment—mbs
Brandt Sports Comment—mbs

8:00—America Cavalcade Drama—nbc
Inner Sanctum, Mystery—cbs
Lum and Abner, Comedy—abc
To Be Announced—mbs

8:15—To Be Announced—abc

8:30—Howard Barlow Concert—nbc
Joan Davis Comedy Variety—cbs
Sherlock Holmes Drama—abc
Casebook of Gregory Hood—mbs

8:45—Five Minutes News Period—cbs
9:00—Youeers Concert, Guest—cbs
Radio Theater, Dramatic Hr.—cbs
Beulah Show, Comedy—abc
Gabriel Heatter Comment—mbs

9:15—Real Life Drama Series—mbs
9:30—Goodman and Borge Show—nbc
Sammy Kaye's Band—abc
Guy Lombardo Orchestra—mbs

10:00—The Contented Concert—nbc
Screen Guild Drama—mbs
Doctors Talk It Over—cbs
Fishing and Hunting—cbs

10:15—The Joe Mooney Quartet—abc
10:30—Dr. I.Q. Quiz Show—nbc
Sweeney and March—cbs-basis
Fantasy in Melody, Concert—abc

10:45—The Family Doctor Drama—nbc
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11:00—News for 15 Minutes—nbc-basis
Supper Club Repeat—nbc-west
News, Variety, Dance 2 hrs.—cbs
News & Dance Band Hour—abc
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Program Tonight

By C. E. BUTTERFIELD

NEW YORK, April 6.—Headed by Al Jolson, quite a cast is being assembled for the CBS Radio Theater on Monday night at 9. Mainly radio talent, others to appear are Dinah Shore, Dick Haymes and Tyrone Power. Reason for this "galaxy" is the fact that the broadcast is to be an adaptation of the revived movie on "Alexander's Ragtime Band." Talent costs are not expected to be as high as might otherwise have been the case if the broadcast were not a tie-in with the movie.

MBS has decided it should have an hour of "who dun it" on Monday. So it is moving Scotland Yard off of Tuesday nights into 8. This will put it just ahead of the 8:30 Casebook of Gregory Hood.

Eddie Bracken, who only recently was dropped by his former sponsor on CBS, gets back on that network as a guest at 10 o'clock. He will be in the Screen Guild's "Christmas in July."

Lionel Barrymore from the CBS Saturday night schedule, does a Monday night showup on NBC at 9:30 to appear in the Goodman and Borge show. . . . Maggie Teyte, British Lyric soprano, goes back into the guest department of the Don Voorhees concert on NBC at 9.

Mason Adams, picked to handle the eerie role lead in Inner Sanctum of CBS at 8, will deal with "The Kiss of Death," including a "mysterious woman in white."

Another Monday night drama, Cavalcade of America of NBC, at 8, is to tell the story of "That Skipper From Stonington," with the help of Dana Andrews and Richard Loper.

The Radio Clock
MONDAY, APRIL 7

Time is eastern standard. For central standard subtract one hour, for mountain standard subtract two hours. Some local stations change hour of relay to fit local schedules. Last minute program changes cannot be included.

Evening
6:00—News Report, 15 Min.—nbc
Eric Sevareid and News—cbs
Network Silent (1 h.)—abc-east
Terry Serial Repeat—abc-west
Network Silent (1 h.)—mbs-east
Hop Harrigan Repeat—mbs-west
Repeat by Sky King—abc-west
Repeat by Superman—mbs-west

6:30—Red Barber and Sports—cbs
Jack Armstrong Repeat—abc-west
Capt. Midnight Repeat—mbs-west
Repeat by Sky King—abc-west

6:45—Lowell Thomas Newscast—nbc
World News & Commentary—cbs
Tennessee Jed Repeat—abc-west
Tom Mix in Repeat—mbs-west

7:00—Radio Supper Club—nbc-basis
Mystery Drama For Women—cbs
News and Commentary—abc
Fulton Lewis, Jr., Comment—mbs

7:15—News and Comment—nbc
Jack Smith Song Series—cbs
Elmer Davis Commentary—abc
Dancing Music Orchestras—mbs-basis

7:30—The Skipper Show—nbc
Bob Hawk Quiz (8 p.m. 10:30)—cbs
Dancing Hall Hour—other cbs
The Lone Ranger Drama—abc
Henry J. Taylor Comment—mbs

7:45—Kaltenborn's Comment—nbc
Brandt Sports Comment—mbs

8:00—America Cavalcade Drama—nbc
Inner Sanctum, Mystery—cbs
Lum and Abner, Comedy—abc
To Be Announced—mbs

8:15—To Be Announced—abc
8:30—Howard Barlow Concert—nbc
Joan Davis Comedy Variety—cbs
Sherlock Holmes Drama—abc
Casebook of Gregory Hood—mbs

8:55—Five Minutes News Period—cbs
9:00—Voorhees Concert, Guest—nbc
Radio Theater, Dramatic Hr.—cbs
Beatnik Show, Comedy—abc
Gabriel Heatter Comment—mbs

9:15—Real Life Drama Series—mbs
9:30—Goodman and Borge Show—nbc
Sammy Kaye's Band—abc
Guy Lombardo Orchestra—mbs

10:00—The Contended Comment—nbc
Screen Guild and Guests—cbs
Doctors Talk—mbs
Fishing and Hunting Club—mbs

10:15—The Joe Mooney Quartet—abc
10:30—Dr. I.Q. Quiz Show—nbc
Sweeney and March—cbs-basis
Fantasy in Melody, Concert—abc
The Family Doctor Drama—mbs

11:00—News for 15 Minutes—nbc-basis
Supper Club—abc-west
News, Variety, Dance 2 hrs.—cbs
News & Dance Band Hour—abc
News, Dance Band 2 hrs.—mbs

11:15—News, Variety, Dance 1-nbc
12:00—Dance Band Hr.—abc-west only

WTBO Highlights
7:00 Yawn Patrol,
7:30 News,
7:45 Hymn Time,
8:00 World News Round-Up (NBC),
8:15 Morning Melodies,
8:45 News,
9:00 Morning News in New York (NBC),
9:30 Morning Meditations,
9:45 Nelson Olmsted (NBC),
10:00 Music for Monday,
10:30 Road of Life (NBC),
10:45 Joyce Jordan, M.D. (NBC),
11:00 Fred Waring Show (NBC),
11:30 Jack Berch Show (NBC),
11:45 Music at Mid-Day,
12:15 Mid-Day News,
12:45 Words and Music (NBC),
1:00 Sketches in Melody (NBC),
1:45 Robert McCormick (NBC),
2:00 Today's Children (NBC),
2:15 Woman in White (NBC),
2:27 Backstage (NBC),
2:40 Betty Crocker (NBC),
2:55 News,
3:00 Life Can Be Beautiful (NBC),
3:15 Ma Perkins (NBC),
3:30 Pepper Young's Family (NBC),
3:45 Bridge to Happiness (NBC),
4:00 Backstage Wife (NBC),
4:15 Stella Dallas (NBC),
4:30 Loretta Jones (NBC),
4:45 Young Widder Brown (NBC),
5:00 Moods in Music,
5:30 News,
5:35 Your Garden,
5:45 Captain Stubby & The Buccaneers,
6:00 News (NBC),
6:15 Cancer Drive Program (Meet Me At Parky),
6:30 The Sportsman's Corner,
6:45 Veterans Affairs,
7:00 The Supper Club (NBC),
7:15 News of the World (NBC),
7:30 Burl Ives,
7:45 Army Day Program,
8:00 Cavalcade of America (NBC),
8:30 Howard Barlow Orchestra (NBC),
9:00 Voorhees Concert (NBC),
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10:00 The Contended Program (NBC),
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Fires On Two Mountains Here Fought Into Night

21 Fire Companies Protect Residences

Several hundred volunteers, 17 volunteer fire companies and their equipment, all four of the City Fire Companies, and foresters, forest wardens, aided by game wardens, city and State Police, fought a series of stubborn woods and brush fires on Wills Mountain, Shriver's Hill and other sections of the county, yesterday and last night.

Several million dollars worth of residential property on Bedford Street, Bedford Road, Independence Street, Piedmont Avenue, Shriver Avenue, and other parts of east and north Cumberland were repeatedly threatened by the flames.

Of undetermined origin, the flames, fed by the dry grass, brambles, scrub pine and other undergrowth, and fanned by a brisk wind, swept over Shriver Hill yesterday morning, and came within a few hundred feet of houses in that section. The fire was kept at a safe distance from the homes, and burned rapidly up to the top of the ridge, where it crept for more than a mile out Bedford Road.

The flames spread down each side of the hill and residents and other volunteers fought diligently and continually all day and until nearly midnight, guarding their homes and property.

Flames Spread Quickly

Early in the afternoon, fire was noticed creeping up Wills Mountain from the vicinity of Lovers Leap. The flames quickly spread across the mountain and whipped by the wind, skipped along the ridge in a bevy of color and smoke. As thick growths of pine were hit by the fire, flames shot upward and sparks were showered in every direction, starting a series of little blazes, that grew until they merged again with the main one.

This went on all afternoon and soon the whole northern and eastern parts of the city were shrouded in a pall of thick, blue, acrid smoke. Many residents attached their garden hoses to outside faucets, just in case sparks came their way.

In the meantime a total of 13 calls went into city fire houses, as residents became alarmed at the creeping flames.

Trucks from each of the four local companies responded as called, but could do little other than stand-by at strategic points and protect property if the fire got too close. Firemen worked at some points with brooms, rakes and brushes and beat out the flames as they approached. But there was just too much fire and too much wind for the local firemen.

Call after call went out for volunteer companies, and they responded from as far as Midland. Local residents in both the Piedmont Avenue section and the Bedford Street and Bedford Road sections had only praise for the volunteer firemen. They made quite an impression as they came clanging onto the scene.

Volunteers Work Fast

The volunteers lost little time, their equipment was taken right to the scene of the flames, and the volunteers, at least a dozen men, every truck went to work with hose lines, brooms, axes, and hand extinguishers.

Several of the volunteer trucks from the smaller towns are equipped with large water tanks, and these were invaluable in fighting a fire of this kind. As soon as the tank was emptied, the truck would be hauled off to the nearest hydrant, filled and off again it went to battle the blaze.

The volunteer firemen in this vicinity made a lot of friends in Cumberland yesterday, and many residents who thought these fellows merely played at being firemen, were thankful that they had been so wrong.

Early in the afternoon, there was not much organization about the whole situation. Traffic, created by spectators created a hazard several times.

State Police were on the job all day. The fires brought out seven state police radio-equipped cruisers and the state police ambulance. The cruisers were spotted around the flames at strategic points to handle traffic and communications.

At the request of State Police, A. Derr Golladay, of the Cumbernauld Airport, went into the air with his Aeronca Champion to spot new outbreaks of flames. He then communicated with State Police and they passed the word on to the various fire fighting units.

Golladay said he had difficulty in getting into the air because of the wind, and flying over the fire the plane was turned over by the updrafts and downdrafts several times. He declared his plane would show an air speed of 55 miles an hour and another instant would show 120 m.p.h. because of the shifting winds.

Planes at the Cumberland Municipal Airport were grounded because of the high winds.

No Residences Damaged

As the flames spread across the top of Wills Mountain on the one side and over Shriver's Hill on the other, fire-fighters had to divide their forces, making the task much more involved. It was feared for a time that Bowman's task might be threatened and a State Police cruiser and two fire trucks were dispatched to that area to stand by. No properties were damaged, and flames were kept at a safe distance.

Some of the firemen, as well as many of the boys and men who volunteered in fighting the fires worked 10 to 12 hours, before the flames were brought under control about 10 p. m. Patrols were on duty all night, in the area, to prevent further out-break and spreading of the flames. There was still danger from sparks falling on buildings firemen said.

As darkness fell, the flames lighted the sky with a brilliance that resembled a setting sun. Hundreds of persons who had viewed the flames during the day, and had seen little more than smoke, did not realize the vastness of the fires until after-dark, when every little blaze, many of which were isolated by that time, stood out in bold relief against the black-scarred hillsides.

Foresters and firemen said the series of fires here yesterday was worse than anything encountered in their experience, and declared, "This is what would have been if (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

Viewpoints Of Ex-Servicemen

What is your opinion of the bill passed by the legislature to increase the salary of the mayor \$1,600 per year, and members of the council \$900 per year each?

Jack L. Malone, 421 Louisiana Avenue, a Baltimore and Ohio

freight clerk, who served four and a half years in the Army and spent eight months in the South Pacific as a master sergeant, declared, "It seems like a lot of money for a side line or part time job. If it required their full time I would say it might be justified. Otherwise, it's too much."

James C. McGee, 1023 Shades Lane, who operates a service station, said, "Well it's either too little, or too much. It's not enough for a full time job if we expect to have competent public officials, and it is too much for a part time job. I think too much emphasis is placed upon the salaries of public employees and not enough concern is shown about the way they serve the public. Too much money is spent for salaries and too little for needed improvements." McGee served five and a half years in the Army and was wounded in action in Italy.

Harry W. Eyre, 232 Williams Street, Kelly Springfield Tire Company staff employee, who saw 33 months overseas service with the 88th Infantry in Italy as a master sergeant, stated, "I believe our mayor and council are overpaid now for all they do or all they seem to have to do. I don't think the raise is justified. The city needs too many things done without spending money to increase salaries all the time. Since it's a part time job, the raise is excessive."

Dr. Arthur F. Jones, 110 South Centre Street, who served as a Captain in the Medical Corps in England, France and Germany for three years said, "I believe that civil servants should be paid an adequate salary. With an adequate salary they will better perform their duties to their constituents and will not be required to depend upon sub-rosa income."

James Koerner, 105 Decatur Street, who served 10 years in the Marine Corps and trained Marines at Parris Island, S. C. as a first sergeant during the war, said, "This raise is justified only if we get men in these offices who can do an efficient job of running the city. To do this, there must be many progressive things undertaken and many local improvements made. I believe the present mayor and council and most city officials I can remember, have been well paid for the little service they have given. Personally, I think we should give serious consideration to setting up a city management form of government and get away from the present system. The raise would about pay a city manager's salary." Koerner is a staff employee at the Kelly.

Joseph F. Jolley, 215 Virginia Avenue, cashier at the Celanese, who served as a staff sergeant in New Guinea and the Philippines for 20 of his 32 months in the Army, stated, "I am in favor of the increase. It must be remembered the mayor and councilmen have increased expenses just the same as everyone else, and I have always felt they were underpaid for the responsibility they have. I believe higher pay for public officials will result generally in better government, and more efficient service from public employees."

James E. Honcutt, 110 North Spruce Street, a department head at Montgomery Ward and Company, who served 21 months in the Army as a staff sergeant said, "I believe higher salaries will attract more able men to these offices. If this happens, we are bound to get better government and the city will show greater progress. On the salary we have paid our city fathers, they could not be expected to give their full time to their offices, and because of this, many things that should be done are not done. I believe the increase will be beneficial to the whole city."



FIRE FIGHTERS—Rex Burton and Willis Stump are shown fighting the fire on Shriver's Hill back of the 600 block on Bedford Street yesterday afternoon. Scene, like this were duplicated over an area of several miles on Wills Mountain, Shriver's Hill and other sections. Flames, spread by a strong wind, burned over several square miles before they were brought under control. The angle at which the grass is bent gives an idea

Mercury Reaches 82 Easter Sunday

Peace And Plenty Seen In Parade

Easter Sunday came to this area on the 30th anniversary of this country's entry into World War I, with a cloudless blue sky and warm sunshine, with everything peaceful and clear.

Thousands of people, bedecked in Easter finery crowded churches to the limit, and as services ended, poured onto the streets in the annual gala Easter parade.

Prosperity wasn't around the corner. It was evidenced everywhere by new hats, (and what hats), new coats, suits, dresses, shoes, and even bright new ties. And the ties are really bright this year.

Except for a strong wind, which caused some of the pretty damsels to hold their hats with one hand and their corsages with the other, the weather was as flawless as the entire picture of peace and plenty. Temperatures rose steadily during the day, hitting an all-time season high of 82 above zero at 4 p. m.

From the News room, except for the bad fires which swept over neighboring hillsides and endangered scores of dwellings, and the threat of a telephone strike this morning, newsmen observed that it was an unusually good holiday.

There was not a single automobile accident and not a serious tragedy reported anywhere in the area.

Yes sir, it was a lovely, peaceful day.

Kitzmiller Man Gets Bronze Star

Former M-Sgt. Eugene Ray, Kitzmiller, was presented a bronze star medal award yesterday by Capt. Thomas Stafford, this city, for meritorious service while with the Ordnance Corps in the ETO, from February 2, 1945 to March 3, 1945. The presentation was made at a special ceremony in the home of Wilson-Fidler Post No. 113, American Legion, Kitzmiller.

The degree team of Mountain District American Legion conducted an obligation ceremony with Vice-Commander Samuel A. Graham presiding. He was assisted in the obligation by Harry Bogler, Russell E. Paupe, Thomas R. Farrell, Paul Weisenmiller, and Clarence Eyer. Thomas F. Conlon, former mayor of this city delivered a brief address.

Henry Evans past commander of Wilson-Fidler post, opened the program and presented the obligation. Ross Sowers, who presided, Thomas Baucum, principal of the school read an Easter greeting, and the Rev. J. H. Hardesty, of the Methodist Church gave the invocation. Selections were sung by the American Legion Auxiliary Choir. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Srigersher.

A number of guests were present including members of M-Sgt. Ray's family and other visitors from near-by communities.

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Radio Application Here Withdrawn

Announcement was made last night that an offer by The Times and Alleghenian Company to purchase radio station WTBO, owned by the Cumberland Broadcasting Company, has been withdrawn.

The agreement entered into early last fall between the Cumberland Broadcasting Company for sale of the station to the Times-News Broadcasting Company contained an option which provided for the termination of application for transfer of the license of WTBO in the event the Federal Communications Commission took no action within six months.

Permission to withdraw the application of transfer, was asked by both the Cumberland Broadcasting Company and The Times and Alleghenian Company and has been granted by the Federal Communications Commission, Radio Station WTBO will continue to be operated by the Cumberland Broadcasting Company.

Forestry Board Plans Educational Series

Tentative plans for a program of education in conservation are being considered by members of the new Allegheny County Forestry Board, according to Arthur Hoffa.

At a regular meeting of the group last week, sound cutting practices of timber and methods to prevent and control soil erosion were discussed. The proposed educational program may take the form of a series of county-wide meetings, it was indicated.

Uncertainty Hovers Over Mine Fields Of Area As Holiday Ends

Coal Miners May Await Inspections

Coal miners in the Upper Potomac Region and the Georges Creek Region indicated last night that most of them would report for work today as the "memorial holiday" ended, but there seemed to be some doubt as to whether they would enter the pits. It was definitely stated by United Mine Workers and Local Union officials, that there would be no work at the three county mines closed by Secretary of Interior Krug's order.

Members of Local Union No. 3817 at Eckhart met yesterday afternoon, and the men decided to stay away from Mine No. 10 of the Consolidated Fuel Company until it is officially declared safe. They did indicate they would report for work at Mine No. 4, but there seemed some doubt as to whether they would enter the pits after this.

Mines also agreed that they would not enter Mine No. 3 of the company at Hoffman, the second of the Consolidated Fuel Company's federally closed operations. Union officials said they learned there were 31 safety violations at the Hoffman mines and 34 at Eckhart Mine No. 10.

At Waynesburg Mine, Lonaconing, of the Georges Creek Coal Company, which was also closed by federal order, it was indicated no one would work until the mine is federally inspected and certified safe.

Many Are Non-Committal

At Lonaconing, Frostburg, Midland, and other coal mine areas, it was indicated some miners plan to report today, while others were non-committal. At Kitzmiller, a spokesman for the union said, "as far as I know the men plan to go to work today. There may be a few who aren't, but if so, we haven't heard anything definite. As far as we know, the holiday is over except for mines declared unsafe. None of the Garrett county mines were on the 'close-order' list."

On the face of the situation, it appeared last night that no union official had actually ordered the men to stay away from the mines, and it seemed that some were willing to go to work. At the same time there were others, in almost every mining community, who felt the mines should be inspected and declared safe, before they enter them.

May Await Inspections

John P. Dolphin, of UMW District 16, declared, "a lot of the men won't go back until the mines are inspected and declared safe."

John L. Lewis, president of the International mine union called upon the federal government Saturday to keep closed all but two of the nation's 2,827 soft coal mines, until they have been inspected and declared safe. The government refused to comply with the request.

Several local union meetings yesterday it was indicated that no definite action was taken to work or stay away from the mines. Some miners said they plan to go to the mines this morning, "but

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FIRE IS BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL BY QUICK ACTION

Prompt work by the LaVale Volunteer Fire Department plus the fact that company equipment was in perfect condition, prevented what might have been a serious fire at the central storage plant of the Standard Oil Company in the Narrows Saturday evening. Robert Klosterman observed cross-ties burning at the unloading platform and notified the LaVale firemen, about 6 p. m. Saturday. Fire Chief Elmer Beachley reported. The firemen made a fast run to the oil center and used phosphate supplied by the engine's booster tank to extinguish the flaming ties and a burning gasoline hose.

According to Chief Beachley damage was slight, and he added that vapor from tank cars on the cross-ties may have been ignited by a passing engine, at least that was the only plausible explanation he could give since, he said, no loose gasoline was present in the area.

A blaze, which firemen said started from a hot air furnace in the building, was brought under control by East Side Company 4 and Central Company No. 1, at the home of Mrs. Edith MacKenzie, 725 Williams Street, Saturday morning after a two-hour battle.

The fire started about 8 o'clock in the partition and spread to the bathroom and living room before it was brought under control. It was the second fire at the house in a little over a year, firemen being called there in February, 1946, to combat a fire that originated in the furnace, local firemen stated.

B. And O. Shop Foreman Dies

William Ralph Durbin, 58, general foreman at the B. and O. back shops here, died suddenly early yesterday at his home, 502 Montreal Avenue.

Mr. Durbin worked Saturday night and complained of feeling badly shortly after he returned to his home at midnight. A physician was summoned at 4:15 a. m., after he became critically ill, but he died 15 minutes later.

He was born in Galtersburg, a son of John H. Durbin, this city, and the late Mary Morris Durbin. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Machinists and Helpers. His widow, Mrs. Augusta Haefling Durbin, and his father, he is survived by two sons, Douglas and Gary, and four daughters, Ellen, Dianna, Dorothy and June, all at home; three children by his first wife, Mrs. Della Flaherty Durbin, who died in 1930. Mrs. Mary Rice, Mrs. Myrtle Lee and Mrs. William R. Durbin, Jr., all of this city.

Three brothers, Herbert, John and Norman; two sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Barringer and Mrs. Eva Dean, all of Cumberland, and three grandchildren also survive.

A funeral service will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home by Rev. Gordon G. Jones, pastor of Emmanuel Methodist Church and burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery.

MRS. NORMAN RITES

A funeral service for Mrs. Edith Smith, 43, wife of Richard S. Norman, who died Saturday morning at her home in Rawlings, will be conducted tomorrow at 2 p. m. in Rawlings Methodist Church.

Rev. Louis P. Chastain, pastor of Cresaptown Methodist Church, will officiate and burial will be in Bierstown Cemetery.

She was born at Bierstown, near Rawlings, a daughter of the late John Jacob and Florence H. Miller Dawson.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Louise Rogers, Keyser, W. Va.; six brothers, R. H. H. W. C. L. and H. C. Dawson, all of Rawlings; E. E. Dawson, Hyndman, Pa.; P. W. Dawson, Arthur, W. Va.; and two sisters, Mrs. Kate Lease, this city, and Mrs. H. B. Emmert, Cresaptown.

JOHN E. EVERSTINE

John Edward Everstine, 604 North Mechanic Street, retired cabinet maker, died yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock in Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Everstine retired about 10 years ago. He was a cabinet maker and hardwood finisher and was at one time employed at a local organ factory located on Columbia Avenue.

He and his father, a local contractor, constructed some of the finest examples of stairways to be found in homes in this area.

He was a native of this city, a son of the late George W. and Clara J. Valentine Everstine.

Mr. Everstine was a member of Centre Street Methodist Church. Besides his widow, Mrs. Isabelle McCormick Valentine, he is survived by four daughters, Mrs. C. J. Goodrich, Mrs. G. C. Slaven, and Mrs. E. R. Lilya, wife of Detective E. Leora Wheatcroft, Philadelphia, Pa., 10 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

The body will remain at the George Funeral Home.

WELSHONCE RITES

KEYSER, W. Va., April 6 — A funeral service for Eben Penner Welshonce, 70, who died of a heart attack at his home, 107 South Main Street, Keyser, Saturday afternoon, will be conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Episcopal Church of Keyser.

Rev. George Perry Cox, rector, will officiate. Active pallbearers will be chosen from Keyser Masonic bodies with which he was affiliated.

Mr. Welshonce retired as Cumberland terminal trainmaster for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad in 1941 and was widely known in the Cumberland area.

He was born July 1, 1876 at Bedford, Pa., a son of the late C. A. and Annie Pennell Welshonce, and was employed by the railroad 49 years.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Katharine Rogers Welshonce, formerly of Baltimore; four sons, William S., New York; Michael, Keyser; James, a student at West Virginia University, Morgantown; and John, Gettysburg, Pa.; a daughter, Mrs. J. K. Herter, Gettysburg, and four grandchildren.

PATRICK H. KENNEY

Patrick H. Kenney, 59, 324 Frederick Street, died last night at 7:45 o'clock in Memorial Hospital where he was admitted yesterday.

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Rites Are Planned For William Izat

Deputy Sheriff Dies In Hospital

A funeral service for William Izat, 52, deputy sheriff of Allegheny County, who died early yesterday morning in Allegheny Hospital, will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at his home, 243 Bedford Street. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Lonaconing.

Deputy Sheriff Izat accompanied Sheriff Edward R. Muir to Westernport and Lonaconing Saturday afternoon and returned to Cumberland about 5 p. m. in apparent good health.

He became ill here about 9:30 p. m., and was taken to his home. After efforts to secure medical aid failed, Mr. Izat was rushed to Allegheny Hospital about 11:45 p. m., suffering from what appeared to be acute indigestion. He died about 12:15 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Izat was sworn in as deputy sheriff in December 2, 1946, and was in charge of the county jail in addition to his other duties.

He had been a resident of this city for the past eight years while he was custodian of the Allegheny County court house.

Before coming to this city, he was a resident of Lonaconing and worked as a laborer in coal mines at Eckhart.

A native of Lonaconing, he was a son of the late Robert Speir and Jane Peel Izat. He was a member of Lonaconing Presbyterian Church and of Cumberland Aeries No. 245, P.O. Eagles.

Besides his widow, the former Miss Annie Young, of Lonaconing, he is survived by one son, Paul Izat, Baltimore; three sisters, Miss Jane Izat, Miss Mary Izat, and Mrs. John Lochner, all of Lonaconing, and two brothers, Thomas and Robert Izat, both also of Lonaconing.

JOSEPH RICE RITES

A funeral service for Joseph A. Rice, 60, 636 Fairview Avenue, well known local motor mechanic, who was found dead Saturday morning in his garage at Smith and North Mechanic Streets, will be conducted tomorrow at 2 p. m. in Centre Street Methodist Church.

Rev. Walter M. Michael, pastor of the church, will officiate and burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery. The body is at the Kight Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers will be Charles A. Piper, William A. Strother, Roy W. Eves, Harry B. Simpson, Frank H. Ansel, W. C. Barnes, Howard W. Boor and Perry W. Rice.

Honorary pallbearers will be Harvey H. Hill, Orin O. Wilson, Thomas B. Sine, Edwin T. Dixon, Robert L. Kifer, George W. Barnard, R. Parker and C. Guy Brengle.

Dr. H. V. Deming, deputy county medical examiner, said Mr. Smith died about 8 a. m. as a result of a heart attack, and authorities believed he collapsed while at work. He had been in ill health for some time and had planned to sell his garage business, authorities were told.

He was a native of Cumberland, a son of the late Andrew M. and Sarah Brant Rice.

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MRS. MILLER RITES

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Rev. Frank J. Fratto, assistant pastor of North Cumberland Assembly of God Church, will officiate and burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery.

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Fires On Two Mountains Here Fought Into Night

21 Fire Companies Protect Residences

Several hundred volunteers, 17 volunteer fire companies and their equipment, all four of the City Fire Companies, and foresters, forest wardens, aided by game wardens, city and State Police, fought a series of stubborn fires on Shriver's Hill and on Willis Mountain, Shriver's Hill and other sections of the county, yesterday and last night.

Several million dollars worth of residential property on Bedford Street, Bedford Road, Independence Street, Piedmont Avenue, Shriver Avenue, and other parts of east and north Cumberland were repeatedly threatened by the flames. Of undetermined origin, the flames, fed by the dry grass, brambles, scrub pine and other undergrowth, and fanned by a brisk wind, swept over Shriver Hill yesterday morning, and came within a few hundred feet of houses in that section. The fire was kept at a safe distance from the homes, and burned rapidly up to the top of the ridge, where it crept for more than a mile out Bedford Road.

The flames spread down each side of the hill and residents and other volunteers fought diligently and continuously all day and until nearly midnight, guarding their homes and property.

Flames Spread Quickly
Early in the afternoon, fire was noticed creeping up Willis Mountain from the vicinity of Lovers Leap. The flames quickly spread across the mountain and whipped by the wind, eked along the ridge in a bevy of color and smoke. As thick growths of pine were hit by the fire, flames shot upward and sparks were showered in every direction, starting a series of little blazes, that grew until they merged again with the main one.

This went on all afternoon and soon the whole northern and eastern parts of the city were shrouded in a pall of thick, black smoke. Many residents attached their garden hoses to their homes, just in case sparks came their way.

In the meantime a total of 13 calls went into city fire houses, as residents became alarmed at the creeping flames.

Trucks from each of the four local companies responded as called, but could do little more than guard at strategic points and protect property if the fire got too close. Firemen worked at some points with brooms, rakes and brushes and beat out the flames as they approached. But there was just too much fire and too much wind for the local firemen.

Call after call went out for volunteer companies, and they responded from as far as Midland.

Local residents in both the Piedmont Avenue section and the Bedford Street section, however, were not called upon for the fire. They made quite an impression as they came clanging onto the scene.

Volunteers Work Fast
The volunteers lost little time, their equipment was taken right to the scene of the flames, and the firemen, at least a dozen men, to every truck went to work with hoses, brooms, axes, and hand extinguishers.

Several of the volunteer trucks from the smaller towns are equipped with large water tanks, and these were invaluable in fighting fires of this kind. As soon as the tank was emptied, the truck would be driven to the nearest hydrant, filled and off again it went to battle the blaze.

The volunteers' firemen in this vicinity made a lot of friends in Cumberland yesterday, and many residents who thought these fellows merely played at being firemen, were thankful that they had been so wrong.

Early in the afternoon, there was not much organization about the whole situation. Traffic, created by spectators created a hazard several times.

State Police were on the job all day. The fire brought out seven state police radio-equipped cruisers and the state police bulldozers. The cruisers were spotted around the flames at strategic points to handle traffic and communications.

At the request of State Police, A. D. Golladay, of the Mexico Farms tract, went into the air with his Aeromax Champion to spot new outbreaks of flames. He then communicated with State Police and they passed the word on to the various fire fighting units.

Golladay said he had difficulty in getting into the air because of the wind, and flying over the fire, the plane was turned over by the updrafts and downdrafts several times. He declared his plane would show an air speed of 55 miles an hour one instant, and another instant would show 120 m.p.h. because of the shifting winds.

No Residences Damaged
As the flames spread across the top of Willis Mountain on the one side and over Shriver's Hill on the other, fire-fighters had to divide their forces, making the task much more involved. It was feared for a time that Bowman's Addition might be threatened and a State Police cruiser and two fire trucks were dispatched to that area to stand by. No properties were damaged, and flames were kept at a safe distance.

Some of the firemen, as well as many of the boys and men who volunteered in fighting the fires were out 10 to 12 hours, before the flames were brought under control about 10 p.m. Patrols were on duty all night, in the area, to prevent further out-break and spreading of the flames. There was still danger from sparks falling on buildings firemen said.

As darkness fell, the flames lighted the sky with a brilliance that resembled a setting sun. Hundreds of persons who had viewed the flames during the day, and had seen little more than smoke, did not realize the vastness of the fires until after dark, when every little blaze, many of which were isolated at that time, stood out in bold relief against the black-scarred hillsides.

Foresters and firemen said the series of fires here yesterday was worse than anything encountered in their experience, and declared, "it is what we would have had (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

Viewpoints Of Ex-Servicemen

What is your opinion of the bill passed by the legislature to increase the salary of the mayor \$1,600 per year, and members of the council \$900 per year each?

Jack L. Malone, 421 Louisiana Avenue, a Baltimore and Ohio freight clerk, who served four and a half years in the Army and spent eight months in the South Pacific as a master sergeant, declared, "It seems like a lot of money for a side line job. If it required their full time I would say it might be justified. Otherwise, it's too much."

James C. McGee, 1023 Shades Lane, who operates a service station, said, "Well it's either too little, or too much. It's not enough for a full time job if we expect to have competent public officials, and it is too much for a part time job. I think too much emphasis is placed upon the salaries of public employees and not enough concern is shown about the way they serve the public. Too much money is spent for salaries and too little for badly needed improvements." McGee served five and a half years in the Army and was wounded in action in Italy.

Harry W. Eyre, 232 Williams Street, Kelly Springfield Tire Company staff employee, who saw 33 months overseas service with the 88th Infantry in Italy as a master sergeant, said, "I believe our mayors and council are overpaid now for all they do. I don't think they should be paid as much as they are. The city needs too many things done without spending money to increase salaries all the time. Since it's a part time job, the raise is excessive."

Dr. Arthur F. Jones, 110 South Centre Street, who served as a Captain in the Medical Corps in England, France and Germany for three years said, "I believe that civil servants should be paid an adequate salary. With an adequate salary they will better perform their duties to their constituents and will not be required to depend upon sub-rosa income."

James Koerner, 105 Decatur Street, who served 10 years in the Marine Corps and trained Marines at Parris Island, S. C. as a first sergeant during the war, said, "This raise is justified only if we get men in these offices who can do an efficient job of running the city. To do this, there must be many improvements made. I believe the present mayor and council and most city officials I can remember, have been well paid for the little service they have given. Personally, I think we should give serious consideration to the management form of government and get away from the present system. The raise would about pay a city manager's salary." Koerner is a staff employee at the Kelly.

Joseph F. Jolley, 215 Virginia Avenue, cashier at the Celanese, who served as a staff sergeant in New Guinea and the Philippines for 20 of his 33 months in the Army, stated, "I am in favor of the increase. It must be remembered the mayor and councilmen have increased expenses just the same as everyone else, and I have always felt they were underpaid for the responsibility they have. I believe higher pay for public officials will result generally in better government, and more efficient service from public employees."

James E. Honeycutt, 110 North Spruce Street, a department head at Montgomery Ward and Company, who served 21 months in the Army as a staff sergeant, said, "I believe higher salaries will attract more able men to these offices. If this happens, we are bound to get better government and the city will show greater progress. On the salary we have paid our city fathers, they could not be expected to give their full time to their offices, and because of this, many things that should be done are not done. I believe the increase will be beneficial to the whole city."



FIRE FIGHTERS—Rex Burton and Willis Stump are shown fighting the fire on Shriver's Hill back of the 600 block on Bedford Street yesterday afternoon. Scenes like this were duplicated over an area of several miles as 17 Volunteer Fire Companies augmented City Fire-fighters in quelling blazes on Willis Mountain, Shriver's Hill and other sections. Flames, spread by a strong wind, burned over several square miles before they were brought under control. The angle at which the grass is bent gives an idea of the force of the wind along the hillside.

Mercury Reaches 82 Easter Sunday

Peace And Plenty Seen In Parade

Easter Sunday came to this area on the 30th anniversary of this country's entry into World War I, with a cloudless blue sky and warm sunshine, with everything peaceful and clear.

Thousands of people, bedecked in Easter finery crowded churches to the limit, and as services ended, poured out to the streets in the annual gala Easter parade.

Prosperity wasn't around the corner. It was evidenced everywhere by new hats, (and what hats), new coats, suits, dresses, shoes, and even bright new ties. And the ties are really bright this year.

Except for a strong wind, which caused some of the pretty damsels to hold their hats with one hand and their corsages with the other, the weather was as flawless as the entire picture of peace and plenty. Temperatures rose steadily during the day, hitting an all-time season high of 82 above zero at 4 p.m.

From the news room, except for the bad fire which swept over neighboring hillsides and endangered scores of dwellings, and the threat of a telephone strike this morning, newsmen observed that it was an unusually good holiday.

There was not a single automobile accident and not a serious tragedy reported anywhere in the area.

Yes sir, it was a lovely, peaceful day.

Kitzmiller Man Gets Bronze Star
Former M-Sgt. Eugene Ray, Kitzmiller, was presented a bronze star medal award yesterday by Capt. Thomas Stafford, this city, for meritorious service while with the Ordnance Corps in the ETO, from February 3, 1945 to March 3, 1945. The presentation was made at a special ceremony in the home of Wilson Elder, Post No. 113, American Legion, Kitzmiller.

The degree team of Mountain District American Legion conducted an obligation ceremony with Vice-Commander Samuel A. Graham presiding. He was assisted in the obligation by Harry Bogler, Russell E. Wause, Thomas R. Farrell, Paul Weisenmiller, and Clarence Eyre. Thomas F. Conlon, former mayor of this city delivered a brief address.

Henry Evans past commander of Wilson-Pidder post opened the program and presented the medal. Ross Sowers, who presided, Thomas Baucum, principal of the school read an Easter greeting, and the Rev. J. H. Hardesty, of the Methodist Church gave the invocation. Selections were sung by the American Legion Auxiliary Choir. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Sgriglesher.

A number of guests were present including members of M-Sgt. Ray's family and other visitors from nearby communities.

Radio Application Here Withdrawn
Announcement was made last night that an offer by the Times and Alleghenian Company to purchase radio station WTBO, owned by the Cumberland Broadcasting Company, has been withdrawn.

The agreement entered into early last fall between the Cumberland Broadcasting Company for sale of the station to the Times-News Broadcasting Company contained an option of application for transfer of the license of WTBO in the event the Federal Communications Commission took no action within six months.

Permission to withdraw the application of transfer, was asked by both the Cumberland Broadcasting Company and The Times and Alleghenian Company and has been granted by the Federal Communications Commission. Radio station WTBO will continue to be operated by the Cumberland Broadcasting Company.

Forestry Board Plans Educational Series
Tentative plans for a program of education in conservation are being considered by members of the new Allegheny County Forestry Board, according to Arthur Hoffa, Borton.

At a regular meeting of the group last week, sound cutting practices of timber and methods to prevent and control soil erosion were discussed. The proposed educational program may take the form of a series of county-wide meetings, it was indicated.

Uncertainty Hovers Over Mine Fields Of Area As Holiday Ends

Coal Miners May Await Inspections

Coal miners in the Upper Potomac Region and the Georges Creek Region indicated last night that most of them would report for work today as the "memorial holiday" ended, but there seemed to be some doubt as to whether they would enter the pits. It was definitely stated by United Mine Workers and Local Union officials, that there would be no work at the three county mines closed by Secretary of Interior Krug's order.

Members of Local Union No. 3617 at Eckhart met yesterday afternoon, and the men decided to stay away from Mine No. 10 of the Consolidated Fuel Company until it is officially declared safe. They did indicate they would report for work at Mine No. 4, but there seemed some doubt as to whether they would enter the pits.

Miners also agreed that they would not enter Mine No. 3 of the company at Hoffman, the second of the Consolidated Fuel Company's federally closed operations. Union officials said they learned there were 31 safety violations at the Hoffman mines and 34 at Eckhart Mine No. 10.

At Westmoreland Mine, Lonaconing, of the Georges Creek Coal Company, which was also closed by federal order, it was indicated no one would work until the mine is federally inspected and certified safe.

Many Are Non-Committal
At Lonaconing, Frostburg, Midland, and other coal mine areas, it was indicated some miners plan to report today, while others were non-committal. At Kitzmiller, a spokesman for the union said, "as far as I know the men plan to go to work today. There may be a few who aren't, but if so, we haven't heard anything definite. As far as we know, the holiday is over except for mines declared unsafe. None of the Garrett county mines were on the 'close-order' list."

On the face of the situation, it appeared last night that no union official had actually ordered the men to stay away from the mines, and it seemed that some were willing to go to work. At the same time, there were others who were almost every where, who were waiting to be inspected and declared safe, before they enter them.

May Await Inspections
John P. Dolphin, of UMWA District 16, declared, "a lot of the men won't go back until the mines are inspected and declared safe." John L. Lewis, president of the International mine union called up to the federal government Saturday to keep closed all but two of the nation's 2,827 soft coal mines. The government refused to comply with the request.

At several local union meetings yesterday it was indicated that no definite action was taken to work or stay away from the mines. Some miners said they plan to go to the mines, but "but" (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

FIRE IS BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL BY QUICK ACTION

Prompt work by the LaVale Volunteer Fire Department plus the fact that company equipment was in perfect condition, prevented what might have been a serious fire at the central storage plant of the Standard Oil Company in the Narrows Saturday evening. Robert Klosterman observed cross-ties burning at the unloading platform, and notified the LaVale firemen, about 6 p.m. Saturday, Fire Chief Elmer Beachley reported. The firemen made a fast run to the oil center and used phomale supplied by the engine's booster tank to extinguish the flaming ties and a burning gasoline hose.

According to Chief Beachley, damage was slight, and he added that vapor from tank cars on the cross-ties may have been ignited by a passing engine, at least that was the only plausible explanation he could give since, he said, no loose gasoline was present in the area.

A blaze, which firemen said started from a hot air furnace, was brought under control by East Side Company 4 and Central Company No. 1, at the home of Mrs. Edith MacKenzie, 725 Williams Street, Saturday morning after a two-hour battle.

The fire started about 8 o'clock in the partition and spread to the bathroom and living room before it was brought under control. It was the second fire at the house in a little over a year, firemen being called there in February, 1946, to combat a fire that originated in the furnace, local firemen stated.

Rites Are Planned For William Izat

Deputy Sheriff Dies In Hospital

A funeral service for William Izat, 52, deputy sheriff of Allegany County, who died early yesterday morning in Allegheny Hospital, will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at his home, 343 Bedford Street. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, Lonaconing.

Deputy Sheriff Izat accompanied Sheriff Edward R. Muir to Westport and Lonaconing Saturday afternoon and returned to Cumberland about 5 p.m. in apparent good health.

He became ill here about 9:30 p.m. and was taken to his home. After efforts to secure medical aid failed, Mr. Izat was rushed to Allegheny Hospital about 11:45 p.m. suffering from what appeared to be acute indigestion. He died about 12:15 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Izat was sworn in as deputy sheriff on December 2, 1946, and was in charge of the county jail in addition to his other duties. He had been a resident of this city for the past eight years while he was custodian of the Allegheny County court house.

Before coming to this city, he was a resident of Lonaconing and worked as a laborer in coal mines in Eckhart.

A native of Lonaconing, he was a son of the late Robert Speir and Jane Peel Izat. He was a member of Lonaconing Presbyterian Church of Cumberland Aeries No. 245, F.O. Eagles.

Besides his widow, the former Miss Annie Young, of Lonaconing, he is survived by one son, Paul Izat, Baltimore; three sisters, Miss Jane Izat, Miss Mary Izat, and Mrs. Myrtle Lee and Mrs. William R. Durbin, Jr., all of this city.

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A funeral service for Mrs. Edith Smentha E. Norman, 43, wife of Richard S. Norman, who died Saturday morning at her home in Rawlings, will be conducted tomorrow at 2 p.m. in Rawlings Methodist Church.

Rev. Louis P. Chastain, pastor of Cresapton Methodist Church, will officiate and burial will be in Bierertown Cemetery.

She was born at Bierertown, near Rawlings, a daughter of the late John Jacob and Florence H. Miller Dawson.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Louise Rogers, Keyser, W. Va.; six brothers, R. H. H. W. C. L. and H. C. Dawson, all of Rawlings; E. E. Dawson, Hyndman, Pa., and P. W. Dawson, Arthur, W. Va., and two sisters, Mrs. Kate Lease, this city, and Mrs. H. B. Emmert, Cresapton.

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He and his father, a local contractor, constructed some of the finest examples of stairways to be found in homes in this area.

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The body will remain at the George Funeral Home.

WELSHONCE RITES
KEYSER, W. Va., April 6 — A funeral service for Eben Pennell Welshonce, 70, who died of heart attack at his home, 107 South Main Street, Keyser, Saturday afternoon, will be conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Episcopal Church of Keyser.

Rev. George Perry Cox, rector, will officiate. Active pallbearers will be chosen from Keyser Masonic bodies with which he was affiliated.

Mr. Welshonce retired as Cumberland terminal trainmaster for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad in 1941 and was widely known in the Cumberland area.

He was born July 1, 1876 at Bedford, Pa., a son of the late C. A. and Annie Pennell Welshonce, and was employed by the railroad 49 years.

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BIRTHS
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A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Shifflet, 39 Elder Street, in Memorial Hospital Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hess, 23 Bedford Street, announce the birth of a son in Allegheny Hospital Sunday afternoon.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Kerr, 515 Furnace Street, in Allegheny Hospital Saturday night, Mrs. Kerr, the former Miss Mary M. Raymond, is a graduate of Allegheny Hospital School of Nursing.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lewis, Route 2, Williams Road, announce the birth of a son in Memorial Hospital Sunday afternoon.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ward, 427 North Centre Street, in Memorial Hospital Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Servatius Roblyer, Cresap Park, announce the birth of a daughter in Memorial Hospital Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Valentine, 322 Reservoir Avenue, announce the birth of a son Saturday in Memorial Hospital.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Decker, 34 Greene Street, Saturday in Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Cline, 108 Pine Street, Petersburg, W. Va., announce the birth of a son Saturday in Memorial Hospital.

A son was born to Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Mirkin, 205 Greene Street, in Memorial Hospital Saturday.

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A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell, 715 Edgevale Avenue Saturday in Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Page, 437 Pine Avenue, announce the birth of a daughter Saturday in Memorial Hospital.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Cordry, 442 Pennsylvania Avenue, Saturday in Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Schmitchel, Orange, Va., announce the birth of a daughter, Vicky Ann, April 1. Mrs. Schmitchel is the former Miss Ruth Norris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton A. Norris, formerly of Cumberland.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dwier, 414 Park Street, announce the birth of a daughter in Memorial Hospital Sunday afternoon.

The annual Easter party of the Beginners department of St. Paul Lutheran Church Sunday School will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Sunday School room of the church.

Strike headquarters were opened on the second floor of the Fort Cumberland Hotel last night by members of Maryland Federation of Telephone Workers, Inc., with George Williams, strike captain for Western Maryland, in charge.

Williams said he had been in communication with Robert Slemmer, state strike director at state headquarters in Baltimore, and to all indications, all telephone company workers will leave their jobs at 6 a.m. today.

Over 200 employees of the local office and exchange are involved, and a number of picketing permits have been obtained here from Chief of Police Oscar A. Eyerman.

A supply of food and cots have been moved into the telephone exchange office here to accommodate representatives of management, who will attempt to maintain emergency service during the strike, according to Howard Smith, local district manager.

Emergency Service Only
Emergency service for calls in case of fire, illness or calls for police etc., as well as newspaper calls will be maintained, Smith said. The type service will continue as long as there are no line trouble exists, but it is doubtful if any maintenance work at all can be attempted during the strike; Smith added.

It was indicated that service would continue within areas where dial systems have been installed until equipment breaks down. Much of this equipment, as well as nearly all telephone equipment requires constant watching and maintenance to keep service going, officials explained.

Co-operation of the general public is requested throughout the strike, and no calls should be attempted unless a genuine emergency exists, officials said.

Col. Beverly Ober, superintendent of the Western Union telegraph system, will stand by during the strike to use their radio system in the event of any emergency developments. In Baltimore, Naval Reserve units plan to establish radio communications, but the reserve and National Guard units here are not sufficiently organized to cooperate.

James Jewell, one of the state strike directors at Baltimore, said there are only two possible developments which will halt the walkout scheduled for this morning. One is a compromise agreement between union and management and the other is seizure of the telephone industry by the government.

Western Union Not Affected
E. F. Phillips, manager of the Western Union here, said last night that the telephone workers' strike will have no effect upon the telegraph mission and delivery of telegrams in Cumberland. In some rural sections where delivery is made by telephone there may be some difficulty, but since the Western Union has no lines in the area, it is not involved in the strike, service will continue, Phillips said.

He further explained that the office on North Liberty Street is open from 8 a.m. until 11 p.m. on Sunday and until 9 p.m. on Sunday. City station is open all the time. Persons who wish to send messages may take them to either office, he said, as they cannot be received over the telephone during the strike.

Mrs. Aurelia Becker, manager of WTBO, stated that radio programs will be heard as usual, as arrangements have been made by the National Broadcasting Company, to continue piping their programs as usual over the telephone system. This service will continue as long as the equipment holds up and there is no line maintenance work to be done. NBC advised the local station.

Telephone operators, the only union not actually involved in the strike negotiations, by mutual agreement will not cross the picket line of maintenance men, clerks, etc., who are negotiating a new contract.

NLRB Election Won By Teamsters
According to C. E. Stutzman, business agent of Local 453, Teamsters Union, AFL, the local won an NLRB election Saturday afternoon of over-the-road truck drivers employed by the Celanese plant. Sixteen drivers were eligible to vote, 12 cast ballots with 11 of them favoring the teamsters and the other voting against union representation. The Textile Union was not involved in the vote. TWUA represents 8,500 production workers at the plant but not the drivers.

Following certification of the vote by the NLRB the Teamsters Union will present a contract proposal to management of the Celanese, Stutzman said.

Local 37-A, Operating Engineers, AFL, won the third of a series of NLRB-conducted votes at the Air Reduction Company plant in South Cumberland, according to Stutzman. There were eight workers eligible to vote and seven cast ballots. Of these, two were voted and the other five voted for the union.

On two other occasions the vote was tied four-all with Local 37-A, Operating Engineers and The Plumbers and Oilers Union, AFL, being involved.

In the most unique NLRB election ever held here, John Johnson and Ralph Cramer, two Celanese employees, were reported to have voted to have the Machine Printers Benevolent Association, an independent union, be their bargaining representative. They were the only two involved in the vote.

Find Bleached Skull
There were no clues available yesterday as to the identity of a skull which was reported found yesterday by a Mr. Deremer at Fort Ashby, W. Va.

Cpl. R. R. Kariekhoff, of the West Virginia State Police, said the skull was allegedly found in a field and looked as if it had been exposed to the elements for some time. He added that authorities had no idea whatsoever of its identity.